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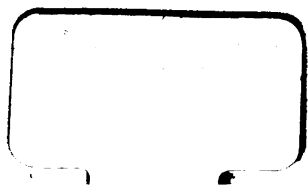
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HISTORY  
OF THE  
DESCENDANTS  
AND  
CONNECTIONS

OF  
WILLIAM MONTGOMERY  
AND

JAMES SOMERVILLE,

Who Emigrated to America from Ireland, in the opening  
Years of the 19th Century.

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## Preface.

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During the latter part of his life, Rev. W. G. Montgomery spent much time in collecting notes and preparing a manuscript history of the Montgomery and Somerville families, which he hoped to see published. But there was not enough of recent history collected to make the book what it should be, and no definite action was taken upon the matter till the Montgomery reunion of 1896, when John H. Montgomery, of Granville, and Charles W. Montgomery, of Bowling Green, were authorized to collect all available material and publish the history.

The committee turned over to me all the manuscript they had and authorized me to collect all I could to add to it, and have charge of the publication. Accordingly I proceeded to write to different members of the various branches of the family, for their contributions to the work, and to rearrange the manuscript which contained much matter that was quite foreign to our history, so it had to be rewritten and very much abridged. The history as presented to you thus consists of the abridged manuscript of Rev. W. G. Montgomery, and contributions by those to whom I wrote and others. In order to have the style of the book as uniform as possible, I have taken the liberty to make some changes in the arrangement

and style of most of the contributions, believing it would give better satisfaction to all to have the same plan throughout the work.

It has been no small task to collect the material for this book, and there are many facts we were unable to secure that would aid much in making the various lines complete. Allow me here to express my thanks to all who have so kindly aided in this work, without whose co-operation the history would have been impossible.

Believing that all will be interested in continuing the history, and in writing up more fully their own branch of the family, blank leaves have been provided in the latter part of the book for this purpose. Each one should head these blank pages in a convenient order for reference and keep future notes with system, devoting a page or two to each of the more remote branches of the family, but reserving the greatest part to write up the history of his father or mother and husband or wife and their connections, which of course was impossible in the body of the book owing to the great number that would be involved. If these leaves are rightly used they can be made as valuable as any others in the book. Our histories can be kept right up to date, and they will grow and be more valuable as the years go by.

FRANK MONTGOMERY.

Granville, O.



## The Name Montgomery in History.

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The first appearance of the name Montgomery in history, was after the conquest of England by the Normans under William the Conqueror. The decisive battle of the conquest was the battle of Hastings, fought November 14th, 1066. After the Saxons were overcome, William divided the country into Shires, and put them under the control of his officers. One of these, in the north-central part of Wales, fell to a man named Montgomery.

At various times during the succeeding centuries, the pages of history have made room for this name. In the beginning of the reign of Henry I, the Welch chroniclers say that a certain Robert DeBelsme rebelled, and his brother Arnulph DeMontgomery went over to Ireland and collected supplies for the war, and married the Irish King's daughter.

In 1559 Henry II of France gave a tournament at the marriage of his daughter to Philip of Spain, and insisted upon Gabriel Compte DeMontgomery, a member of his bodyguard, entering the lists with him. In the conflict the King was mortally wounded. Montgomery fled to England and became a Protestant. In 1562 he went back to France to take part in the religious wars, and after twelve years of valiant

service for the Protestants, was captured and beheaded.

Richard Montgomery was born in 1736. His father was member of Parliament for Lifford. He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, and came to America in 1757, when he took a prominent part in a number of battles, among which was the battle of Lewisburg. He returned to England and lived there nine years. Resigning his commission, he came to America to live, settled in Dutchess County, New York, and was elected to the Provincial Convention. He won renown in the campaign against Canada in 1775. But at the attack on Quebec, the last battle of the campaign, he was killed while leading his division.

Among others of military distinction might be mentioned John B. Montgomery, born in 1796, and William Reading Montgomery, born in 1801, both of New Jersey. The former went with Decatur against the Algerian pirates, distinguished himself in the Mexican war and was made Rear Admiral in 1866. The latter was a West Point graduate, commanded in the Mexican War, and for valiant service in the Civil War at Bull Run was made Brigadier-General.

The literature of our language also received a rich legacy from one of our name. James Montgomery, the son of a Moravian preacher, was born at Irvine, Ayrshire, Scotland, in 1771. His father tried to

educate him for the Moravian pastorate at Fulneck, but the work was not congenial to him, so he entered the newspaper business and published many of his poems in his papers. He was twice fined by his opponents for some of his publications, but in 1835 received a yearly pension of £150. He died in 1854. A number of his short poems appear as hymns in our church hymnals.

## First Authentic History of Our Ancestors.

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The following is an extract from a manuscript written by Samuel Linn, an early settler near Hillsboro, Ohio, whose mother was a Somerville and a sister to the widow Linn, second wife of our ancestor William Montgomery:

My ancestors of both my parents removed from Scotland to the North of Ireland before the days of William and Mary, as I have often heard mother mention the name of a family from which she was descended, being at Londonderry when that city was besieged by King James' army in 1689.

I remember of seeing my grandfathers Linn and Somerville. They were both old and died before I was six years of age. Their farms were about a mile apart, one in county Tyrone, the other in Fermanagh, near Five-Mile-Town. They were all staunch Presbyterians. My parents, Robert and Eleanor (Somerville) Linn, had seven children. Two of them died in infancy. Three boys and two girls all grew up. Father owned, or rather had leased, twenty acres of land. About thirteen pounds sterling yearly rent was paid. This tract supported three families. Rent, taxes, tithes, etc., were all paid by the cultivation of flax and manufacture of linen. Father died in 1794. Never can I forget his calling all the family around the bedside and admonishing them on the subject of religion. Being the oldest, the management of the family devolved upon me. My inclination had been for some time toward America. I proposed to go there and if pleased with the country return in a year and take the rest with me. But they all said they would go at once, so we came to America in 1796. Leaving Londonderry we attempted a northern passage, but were met by a severe storm and compelled to put into port in Scotland to right some dam-

ages to the vessel. Most of the passengers went on shore. They said the vessel would not start for twenty hours. Brother Robert and I went up on a hill, and seeing houses went to them. While conversing with the people a lad came and said the vessel was under sail. We ran down to the wharf just as a lighter vessel was putting out. I jumped aboard and taking Robert by the hand helped him on. We soon overtook our ship and were put safely aboard. After we had been some days out, we were boarded by some officers of a British frigate, and about fifty passengers were impressed into the navy from our vessel. They said they wanted young men only who were not married. The young men took girls and said they were their wives. I had seven boils on my body, so they did not want me. Brother hid in an old chest with some clothes and so we escaped. We landed safely in Philadelphia and moved out near Lancaster, Pennsylvania. I had a good common education and secured a position as school teacher, and clerked at a furnace for some years. I married a daughter of Captain Slaymaker, and soon after moved to Augusta County, Virginia, where brother Robert and the rest had gone some years before. The descendants of Robert still live in Virginia. After some years I sold out and came to Highland County, Ohio, near Hillsboro, where quite a connection has since sprung up.

A letter from Henry Montgomery of Hanover, to his son John, of Granville :

I have been impressed for some time with the idea of writing a short sketch of my life and christian experience, but thought the task too great for me, being at the advanced age of eighty years. However, in the fear of God, I will give you a sketch embracing a period of about seventy years. In the reign of the despotic house of Stuarts, a family of our name fled from Scotland and settled in the north of Ireland. I was born in Goutmore, County of Tyrone, Ireland, January 8, 1790. My father was of the middle class. I very early acquired the art of reading. Being raised a Presbyterian, I was very early taught the catechism of the church. When eight years old I read Cook's

voyage around the world. And always being fond of reading, as I grew to manhood read all of Rollen's Ancient History, with many other histories and most of the standard authors of my day. I never read novels and was always opposed to the reading of fictitious books, which have a tendency to corrupt the youth of our land.

Many of our relatives had emigrated to America. Ireland had been for many years in a state of war and internal commotion, but the great Irish rebellion of 1797-98 was now over. My father sold his little estate. On the 3rd of May, 1803, our whole family took shipping at Londonderry, a walled city in the north of Ireland.

After remaining a week in the harbor our ship sailed for America. Our voyage on the whole was very pleasant. Our noble vessel rose above the mountain waves. One calm morning we saw many sea monsters. The breath of the huge whales looked like so many smoke stacks. On the 4th of July, being Sabbath, it was announced by the sailors that land was ahead. O! what rejoicing. In a short time we could see land with the naked eye. We slowly made our way up the Delaware river, and that evening cast anchor safely at New Castle, where they brought on board fresh water and bread. The next day we weighed anchor and sailed up to Wilmington. There we were very fortunate in getting a wagon which took us into Pennsylvania, and in a few days we all got safely to your Uncle James Somerville's, who had crossed the ocean the year before. Two months after we landed mother died of consumption. She had suffered from this disease for some years. Your Aunt Mary Somerville was with her till she died. She early taught her children to say, "Our Father who art in heaven." She was buried in a cemetery a few miles east of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Not long after mother's death cousin Samuel Linn came up to Lancaster in his two-horse wagon and moved us down to Augusta County, Virginia. We rented a small farm near Staunton, the county seat, and got along finely. We bought a team of horses and raised good crops. Grain always sold high.

## MY CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE.

In the seventeenth year of my age I attended a camp meeting in Rockingham County, Virginia. As I approached the camp ground a religious awe came over me, a reverential fear fell upon me. I remained at the meeting from Saturday till Tuesday, August 4. At the close of the meeting all the congregation passed by the stand to bid the preachers farewell. I never expect to see such a time again. I was sitting near the stand laboring under strong emotion. It was suggested to me that my day of grace was passed. I arose to go out to a log nearby, but a weakness came over me, and I fell prostrate on the ground. I could raise neither hand nor foot. Passive in the hand of God, I lay as clay in the hand of the potter. I was carried and laid in a tent. My prayer was Lord Jesus, save me. In an instant, quick as thought, my whole system was reanimated. I jumped to my feet and shouted Glory to God in the highest! I felt that the atonement was sufficient for all my sins and the sins of the whole world. I then became a regular attendant at the Methodist Episcopal church in Staunton. I was well pleased with their way of expounding the Scriptures, their doctrines, government, etc., and after asking divine guidance decided to join this church. Instead of asking me long, hard questions, as I expected, the preacher, Rev. Joseph Carson, simply asked me if it was my desire "to flee the wrath to come and be saved from my sins, and become a member of our church."

In these two letters we find some facts of interest in the early history of our family, and learn something of how they lived in the mother country, and how they emigrated to America. But we have more facts concerning these families that come in naturally at this place.

In the north of Ireland, counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh, lived the Linn, Somerville and Montgom-

ery families. The Linn and Somerville families had intermarried, as recorded in the introduction to Samuel Linn's letter.

William Montgomery, who owned a small tract of land near Five-mile-town, was of the first generation of our direct ancestors of whom we have any definite knowledge. He was not a large man; was bald-headed, fair complexioned, and had sandy hair. Even when an old man he stood erect and walked with a quick sturdy step. For his first wife he married a Miss Wilson. They had one son whom they named John. His second wife was the Widow Linn, whose maiden name was Margaret Somerville. She was a sister to the mother of Samuel Linn, the author of the manuscript of which we have a part. She already had one child, Mary Ann Linn, who married her cousin, James Somerville, and emigrated to America, probably in the year 1802. William Montgomery and his second wife had four children, Samuel, Margaret, Henry and William. They lived on their little estate in Ireland till 1803, when they came to America. The great Irish rebellion was over before they left, and the children have often since told their children of how they saw their neighbors' houses, barns and stacks go up in flames during 1797 and 1798. The account of their emigration and early life in America is recorded in Henry Montgomery's letter. The father emigrated to Ohio with his sons and lived



to a ripe old age. He died in August, 1821, in his 70th year at the home of his son Samuel, in Perry Township, Licking County, Ohio, and was buried in the Bowling Green Cemetery, and removed to Newark in 1864.

From what we can learn of our ancestors, they were all believers in Christianity, and members of the Presbyterian church. They taught their children the catechism with all its lessons, after the strictest manner of the Scotch-Irish Presbyterians.

## History of John Montgomery and His Descendants.

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John, the oldest son of William Montgomery was born in Ireland. He stayed with the rest of the family through all their migrations till they came to Licking County, Ohio. Here he made his home with his half-brother Henry. There was not enough work at home to keep all busy, and none of them could endure to be idle, so John worked from home most of the time. Before many years he married Miss Prudence Channel, daughter of Joseph Channel, an old pioneer of the Bowlinggreen, and settled on one hundred and sixty acres of land south of Licking river. They lived here many years and raised a family of children. When just arrived at manhood his son Samuel accidentally cut himself with a butcher-knife while butchering, and died from the effects of the wound. The concourse of people at his funeral showed the esteem in which the family was held by the community. Late in life the father with his two sons, Joseph and Isom, sold out, bought and moved to the north part of the county near Brandon, where the sons lived many years. The father died August 27, 1849, the mother November 9, 1859.

One of the daughters married a Mr. Burgess, and moved to Indiana.

JOSEPH, one of the sons, was born January 18, 1817, and died December 25, 1875. He married Miss Emily Ide, who was born July 15, 1822, and



Joseph Montgomery.



Mrs. Joseph Montgomery.

died March 21, 1888. They had eleven children—Samuel W., Rolin H., Henry B., Amos, John, Albert, Franklin, Ida V., Elwood, Forest and Squire.

*Samuel W.* was born May 7, 1844, married Celinda White March 26, 1865, and died July 7, 1869. They had three children—Sarah E., Cora A. and Alva W. Sarah E. was born June 29, 1866, and married Aaron D. Throp Nov. 25, 1886. Their children are Samuel A., born October 16, 1887; Walter D., born September 27, 1889; Daniel Guy, born January 1, 1891, and died in infancy; Earl

Leroy, born February 25, 1892. They live at Evanston, Franklin County, Ohio. Cora A. was born November 7, 1867, and married John A. Hight October 31, 1889. Their children are Mary Dell, born April 24, 1891, and Irl V., born December 6, 1892. They live at Advance, Jasper County, Illinois. Alva W. was born May 5, 1869, and married Mrs. Mary E. Sutton August 25, 1891. They live at Centerberg, Knox County, Ohio.

*Rolin H.* was born March 31, 1846. He married Sarah E. Headington January 16, 1868. They have one son, John H., born February 16, 1871, who is a teacher. Their home is near Byhalia, Union County, Ohio.

*Henry B.* was born September 30, 1848. He married Mary J. Huffman March 5, 1868. They have four children—Homer F., Noel B., Bernice E. and Bertha A. Homer F. was born August 19, 1869. He married Josie Morgan August 31, 1893. They have two children, Earl, born November 15, 1895, and Mabel, born January 22, 1897. The mother died February 5, 1897. Noel was born March 31, 1873, and married Dell Collins March 30, 1895. Bernice E. was born February 8, 1877. She was married to Harry J. Skidmore January 1, 1896. Bertha was born September 3, 1881. Henry and all his children live at Lunda, Union County, Ohio, except Noel, who lives at Centerburg, Knox County, Ohio.

*Amos* was born August 2, 1850, and married Mary M. Huffman May 10, 1874. They live at Rich Hill, Knox County, Ohio.

*John* was born October 24, 1852, married Icedora Bruce December 21, 1879. They live at Rich Hill.

*Albert* was born December 26, 1854, and died December 30, 1861.

*Franklin* was born December 8, 1856. He married Sadie Durbin January 4, 1885. They had four children—Vincent, Mary Vera, Lous and Rose Lillian. Vera died February 23, 1894. The last two are twins. They live in Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

*Squire* was born December 8, 1858. He married Ella Figley in February of 1880. They have three children—Bessie, born January 21, 1881; Clara, born August 19, 1884, and Murl, born in March of 1886. The mother died April 21, 1888, and November 19, 1890, he married Gurta Tadman. They live at Lunda, Ohio.

*Ida V.* was born March 5, 1861. She was married to George Parmer February 14, 1882. He died in June, 1885. February 12, 1890, she married W. J. Moore, with whom she lived till her death, August 24, 1896.

*Elwood* was born April 9, 1863, and married Ida Rineheart August 13, 1892. They have one child, Charles E., born January 17, 1894. They live at Rich Hill, Ohio.

*Forest* was born December 8, 1865. She married Martin Durbin January 25, 1888. They have two children, Lawrence P., born March 8, 1889, and Lorena F., born March 16, 1896. They live at Bangs, Knox County, Ohio.

All the family of Joseph are farmers.

ISOM and his family all moved to Indiana and we have been unable to get any history of them.

## The Pioneer Preacher.

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Samuel Montgomery, the second son of William Montgomery, was born May 1, 1785. He became a Methodist preacher when nineteen years of age. He belonged to the Baltimore Conference, and traveled in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. He was stationed for some time in the city of Baltimore, and spent one year on a missionary tour through Canada. He married Miss Nancy Grimes, sister to his brothers' wives. They had no children. Being located he moved to Licking County, Ohio, about 1820, and settled in the northwest part of Perry Township, where he lived a number of years. He finally sold and moved to a farm he had bought, four miles east of Newark, a mile north of the Zanesville road, where he spent his latter days. He outlived his faithful wife nearly seven months, dying October 17, 1867, she having died March 23. His eyesight entirely failed him twelve or fifteen years before he died, but he had been such a student that his mind was richly stored, and no preacher in the country commanded such audiences as this blind old veteran of the cross.

## The Erwin Family.

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MARGARET, the only daughter of William Montgomery, Sr., was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, October 15, 1791, and came to this country with her parents in 1802. In 1809 she was married to Joseph Erwin, who was born in Staunton, Virginia, about the year 1782. They moved to Madison County, Ohio, in 1812, where they lived till 1852, when they removed with most of their children to DeWitt County, Illinois. Mr. Erwin enlisted in the United States service in the war with England in 1812. He died in Farmer City, Illinois, April 24, 1872, at the age of 90. Margaret, his wife, died there April 4, 1856.

They had eight children as follows:

Polly Ann, born April 7, 1811; died Oct. 1, 1821.

Margaret K., born January 6, 1813; died August 6, 1880.

Rebecca J., born February 11, 1815.

Samuel Wesley, born August 20, 1817; died June 25, 1832.

William, born July 9, 1819.

Nancy, born June 20, 1824; died January 4, 1891.

Elizabeth C., born May 14, 1827; died April 5, 1889.



Fidelia, born February 12, 1832; died April 26, 1832.

HISTORY OF THESE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

MARGARET R. ERWIN was born near Newark, Ohio, January 6, 1813. In 1833 she was married to Jacob Sidner, son of Philip Sidner, a Kentucky pioneer.



Mrs. Jacob Sidner.

He was born in Kentucky in 1799, but came to Ohio in childhood, and gradually accumulated much land near West Jefferson, Madison County. He was first married to Mary Ewing, who died in 1831. They had five children. He and Margaret had eight children as follows: Joseph E., Wesley, Mary Angeline, Della A., William Clark, Trimander C., David Theotis, and Joan. They lived together till February, 1880, when he died, and she, too, passed over the following August. They were both members of the Upper Glade M. E. church, of which he was a founder.

*Joseph E.* was born February 17, 1834, and in August, 1856, he married Mary E. Pierce. They moved to Iowa in 1879, in which State they now

live, in the city of Des Moines. He is a carpenter by trade. They have nine living children—Lamar, Mrs. Della Dawson, Mrs. Angie Sommers, Arthur, Lawrence, George, Daisy, Lillie, and Frederick, all married except the youngest three.

*Wesley* is a farmer of West Jefferson, Madison County, Ohio. He was born January 20, 1836, and in November, 1856, married Lydia E. Jones. They have had eight children, seven of whom are now living, as follows: James J., S. McClellan, Charles Ervin, John D., Mary E., Margaret A. and Dollie L. James J. is a farmer near West Jefferson. He was born in 1857, taught school in young manhood, and in 1879 married Mary Roberts. They have seven children—Agnes, Howard, Pern, Elton, Minnie, Florence and Maxwell. The mother died April 2, 1896. Charles is a farmer near Jefferson. He was born September 10, 1863, and married Irena Smith in 1892. Their children are Guy, Eloise, and a babe. Mary E. was born March 18, 1866, and married Wm. H. Headley, a farmer of West Jefferson, February 22, 1888. Their children are Edith W., Russell, and Gladys. Dollie L. was born August 28, 1874, and was married to Charles W. Richardson in October, 1895. They live near West Jefferson. He is a teacher. Wesley Sidner's other three children are unmarried.

*Marv Angeline* was born June 2, 1839, and was married to George Phifer, of London, Ohio, in 1872. They had two children, John S., and Wesley O. John S. died December 24, 1891. His death weighed heavily upon the mother and she, too, died January 6, 1896.

*William Clark* lives on the Sidner homestead and has his postoffice at London. He was born January 5, 1845. He has been married three times. He first married Sarah J. Jones, of London, in February, 1870. They had two children, Ernest L. and Earl Anson. She died in 1881. His second wife was Elizabeth Rupert who died in January, 1893. He was married again in September, 1895, to Sarah Parker, of London.

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*David Theotis* is a farmer at London, Ohio. He was born in November, 1847, and married Jessie Farrington, of West Jefferson in June, 1878. Their children are Grace, Frank, Vera, and Wade, aged respectively eighteen, sixteen, thirteen and ten.

The other three children of Jacob and Margaret Sidner died in childhood.



Thos. McDonald.



Mrs. Thos. McDonald.



William Erwin.



Mrs. William Erwin.

REBECCA married Thomas McDonald, who was born October 15, 1801, and died June 16, 1888. Their descendants are Mary Ann, John, Wesley E., Nancy M., Martha L. and William L.

WILLIAM married Sarah Stout. Their children were Eliza M., James W., Jessie S., Joseph M., Mary E., Ida J. and John W.



Nancy Rayburn.

NANCY married William E. Reyburn. Their children were Mattie L., Wesley E., David L., Lenora J., Joseph W., James C., Margaret C., Rebecca A., Mary D. and Jennie M.



Stephen Covey.



Mrs. Stephen Covey.

ELIZABETH C. married Stephen H. Covey. Their children are E. Pammy, Theotus L., Clark C. and Ulysses G.

## History and Obituaries of Henry and William Montgomery and Their Wives.

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The third son of William Montgomery was HENRY, who has left us a very brief autobiographical sketch. In 1810, emigration to Ohio being very popular in Virginia, and a number of friends and relatives having gone, the Montgomery family concluded to "go West." Through his brother Samuel, whose circuit took in Greenbrier County, Henry had learned of the Grimes family. In those days it was a long journey from Staunton to Greenbrier County, and still longer into Ohio. Henry started several weeks ahead of the emigrant wagons. Being on horseback he left the emigrant road at the source of the Greenbrier river and took a mountain path. After traveling this for one hundred miles he came to the home of Felix and Catharine Grimes. Arrangements were soon made, and on September 27, 1810, he married Mary Grimes, the second daughter. The next day they started on their wedding tour, taking all her effects with them on horseback, to meet the wagons on the emigrant road. Their bedding, cooking utensils, etc., was carried on pack saddles. Two of her brothers went along to help drive the four cows and take part of the horses back.

Thus the first one hundred miles of the journey was traveled. The party as it started westward consisted of the bride and groom, his father and two brothers, John and William. They pursued their journey, fraught with many toils and perils, yet gladdened with its joys and pleasures, over the Alleghenies and crossed the Ohio at Marietta. They followed up the Muskingum to the village of Zanesville, and thence up the Licking to Newark, then a mere hamlet. There had been a heavy rain and North Fork was so high they could not cross, so they camped on the east side of the creek and bought horse feed of a Mr. Abraham Miller. Mr. Miller told them that corn was scarce and that people there and on up the creek had to go down to Bowling Green to buy corn.

Now our folks had intended to go up this stream and settle where Utica now is, for a great many from Augusta County and other parts of Virginia had settled there, among whom were the Conards, Lees, and Edmonds, who were family friends. Learning this they changed their minds and after a few days spent in looking around they rented a cabin of Mr. John Channel on the south side of Licking.

Now we find our heroic ancestors in their new home. From all we have read of pioneer history and what our parents have told us of the early times, let us picture to ourselves this pioneer home with its toils and privations, its achievements and joys.



Suffice it to say that the true pioneer spirit throbbed in each breast, and good crops and prosperity were the rewards of their labors.

After living here two years the two brothers, Henry and William, and their father gathered together all their money and bought one hundred acres on the Bowling Green, about five miles east of Newark.

In October of 1813, William went back to Virginia and married Margaret Grimes, his brother Henry's wife's youngest sister. After two weeks' visit in Virginia they started for the home in Ohio which the justly proud young husband had provided for his bride.

The two families lived happily together several years, when Henry sold his share to William and bought one hundred and five acres in Perry township, two miles north of Hanover. There was a cabin and ten acres of cleared land on it. It cost a little more than \$400. This separation, however, did not lessen the strong attachment of these two families for each other, but it has continued down through the subsequent generations, and it is to be hoped that the same friendship, union and love will continue to bind together all who trace their ancestry back to the small relationship that abandoned the bleak northern hills of the Emerald Isle for this more fertile and congenial clime where they might "secure the blessings of liberty for themselves and their posterity."

As there was such close association between Henry and William, their histories have been carried along together. The leading events of their useful lives have been recorded, and we shall now stop to pay tribute to the precious memory of them and their noble life companions.

#### OBITUARY OF WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

William Montgomery, the youngest of that generation, died at his home October 4, 1849, aged 56 years and 9 months. He was a faithful, good and true man, highly respected by his neighbors and all who knew him. He was a kind husband, a gentle and exemplary parent; a member of the M. E. church from his youth, and taught his children to love and keep the commandments of God's Holy Word. He was an enterprising and industrious man, and brought a large amount of money into his neighborhood by buying and selling stock. He never waited for his business to push him but always pushed his business. At his death he was on the high way to prosperity, owning several hundred acres of valuable land. But the Lord saw best to take him from the labors and toils of earth to the rest and joys of heaven. Have not the teachings and example of these parents had an influence on their children which has enabled them to keep pace and even in advance in farming and other business pursuits, and

in the educational and professional interest of our growing country? The results are visible to all by the success achieved in the various vocations and professions of life, and the esteem in which all are held by their fellowmen.

## OBITUARY OF MARGARET GRIMES MONTGOMERY.

Margaret Montgomery, wife of William Montgomery, was born in Bath County, Virginia, January 12, 1789, and died in Licking County, Ohio, March



21st, 1869. She joined the Methodist Episcopal church under the ministry of Rev. James Ward in 1804. In October, 1813, she was married to William Montgomery, with whom she came to Ohio and settled in Madison township, Licking County, where they lived happily till the husband's death in 1849. She lived

on the homestead till her death. She was the mother of eleven children, four of whom preceded her to the grave, seven surviving to cherish the memory of a devoted mother. She was an earnest, pious christian, a kind neighbor, and a faithful friend. She was among the last of her

Mrs Wm. Montgomery

contemporary pioneers to be called home to the final reward. She was one of the three sisters whose maiden name was Grimes, who married three brothers—Samuel, Henry, and William Montgomery. Two of these, Mary and Margaret, were members of the first Methodist society organized in Madison Township, under the pastorate of James B. Finley. Their place of worship was a hewed log house belonging to Mr. Moody, standing on the site of Charles W. Montgomery's present residence. The three sisters all lived to be over eighty years of age, but they all have finished their labors, and are now at rest with their Savior.

“The memory of the just shall be blessed.”

REV. H. GORTNER.

#### OBITUARY OF MARY GRIMES MONTGOMERY.

On the fourteenth day of October, 1865, Mary Grimes Montgomery, wife of Henry Montgomery, passed away in the eighty-first year of her age. She was born in Bath County, Virginia, in 1784. Was married to her now bereaved husband in 1810; moved to Ohio and settled four miles east of Newark, which then contained a few log houses and two small stores. She was endowed with a good mind which she employed in glorifying God. Her Christian character is untarnished. She was zealous, kind, and loving, and

always full of faith, giving glory to God. For sixty-two years she was a strong advocate of the religion of Jesus Christ.

The following is her own language: "When I was quite young my parents moved to Greenbrier, now Pocahontas County, West Virginia, which was



Mrs. Henry Montgomery.

then infested by bands of Indians who burned buildings, drove away stock and even killed many of the settlers. My oldest brother, Arthur, was a soldier in the Indian wars, and took part in the great battle at Point Pleasant, at the mouth of the Kanawha river.

"Among the first ministers of the gospel in that country was that man of God, Rev. James Ward. He often rested a few days at my father's house. Here he formed his first class, which was composed of myself and two other women. I always called him my father in the gospel. In the year 1803, at a camp-meeting, I gave my heart to God and my hand to the church. Soon after my conversion, while reading Mr. Wesley's sermon on 'Sin in a Believer,' I greatly desired a deeper work of grace. I sought it night and day, and while at

another camp-meeting experienced the blessing of perfect love."

Mother Montgomery was loved by all who knew her. She raised a family of ten children, and all are professors of Christianity, and one is a minister of the Gospel. The funeral services were held in the Hanover M. E. church, of which she had been a member more than fifty years. The writer preached the funeral sermon from Rev. 9: 13-16, after which the body was tenderly laid away in the Hanover cemetery. The procession that followed was the largest ever witnessed in that part of the country.

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#### HENRY MONTGOMERY

Was born in County of Tyrone, Ireland, January 8, 1790. He landed in America with the rest of the family in 1803, and lived, until married, in Augusta County, Virginia. He joined the M. E. church in the year 1807, and was a member of the same sixty-four years. He died in 1870, in his eighty-first year, and was buried in the Hanover cemetery by the side of his wife.



Henry Montgomery.

## History of the Grimes Family.

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As gathered from W. G. Montgomery's manuscript and a letter he received from Davis Grimes of Dilley's Mills, W. Va., July 31, 1890.

Felix Grimes and his wife, Catharine, came from Armaugh County, North of Ireland, to America about the close of the French and Indian war. They moved to Greenbrier County, Virginia, during or soon after the Revolution. They raised a large family, five boys and four girls. Grandfather Felix Grimes died in 1814, at the age of 65 years, and grandmother died in 1826, at the age of 74.

ARTHUR, the oldest of the nine children lived in Pocahontas County. Was married twice. First wife's name was Waugh, second, Sharp. He had children from both wives. He died about 1850, in his eightieth year. One of his daughters married a McLauhlin, living near Huntersville, W. Va.

HENRY, the next son, died in 1804.

JOHN, the third son, owned a fine farm along the little levels of Greenbrier river, and represented his county for twelve years in the Virginia legislature. He afterward moved to Gallia County, Ohio, where he spent his latter days, died, and was buried. A large connection of Grimeses live there now.

JAMES, the fourth son raised a large family, seven boys and three girls. All are dead but three boys, one of whom lives in Iowa, one in Webster County, the other in Pocahontas County, West Virginia. Uncle James Grimes died in his 79th year, and was buried with those gone before in the family burying place in Mt. Zion cemetery.

CHARLES, the youngest son, lived on the homestead. He raised a large family, seven girls and three boys. The youngest daughter moved to Iowa, but all the rest live in Pocahontas County. Charles died in his eightieth year.

It seems that John, James and Charles Grimes married sisters named Burner, whose brother, George, lived at the source of the Greenbrier river. A branch of the family moved to Homer, Ohio, and Hannah Conrad married into that family.

Davis Grimes, from whom most of this information was obtained, is a son of Charles Grimes, and lives on the old homestead. He was born in 1836, and has two children, a son and a daughter.

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The following was prepared by James M. (Morg.) Watts in 1890, to be contributed to the Montgomery history, being gathered by W. G. Montgomery:

Three of the Grimes sisters, Nancy, Mary, and Margaret, married Samuel, Henry, and William Montgomery. But the oldest, Sally, married James Wad-



dell in 1797. He was born December 7, 1774, in Virginia; she January 15, 1780. They had six children: John, Catharine, Elizabeth, Polly, Nancy, Margaret, all born in Pocahontas County, Virginia. In 1811 she died, leaving Margaret six weeks old. The child was cared for by its aunt, Nancy Grimes, while the father came to Ohio to found a new home. The next year, 1812, he returned and took all his children and effects to his new home, seven miles west of the present city of Gallipolis, Ohio. All their goods were carried in a one horse cart and a pack saddle, but by the willing help of all hands, good management and a kind Providence, they soon established a good home and surrounded themselves with all the comforts of life. He worked hard all week and preached on Sunday, services being held at his own and neighbor's homes. His children all grew up and were married.

*Catharine* married James Williams and had ten children: Sally, Mary, Selesthal, Elizabeth, Franklin, Lydia, Nancy, Margaret, Lucinda, James. Six of these have died. Those still living are Mary Margaret, Elizabeth and Lucinda.

*John* married Lucinda Armstrong. They had six children: Robert, Mary, Sarah, Lydia, Nancy, and Lucinda. Robert and Mary died in infancy, Sarah married William Wombeldorf; Lydia, Reuben Hay; Nancy, Perry Roach; Lucinda, Robert McLead.

*Elizabeth* married George Rader. They had four children: James, John, William and Mary. All are dead but Mary.

*Polly* married Elisha Campbell. They had eight children: Margaret, James, Elizabeth, Nancy, Samuel M., John W., Sarah, Lydia. Three are dead, James, Sarah and John.

*Nancy* married John Richardson. They had no children, she only living about a year after marriage.

*Margaret* married James Watts. They had thirteen children: James M., Elizabeth, David A., John W., Nancy, Ross, Malissa, Louisa, Lydia, Matilda, Harriet and Clark R. Seven of these are dead and six living—James M., Elizabeth, John W., Lydia, Malissa, and Harriet.

From James and Sally Waddell have sprung many of the prominent families of Southern Ohio. All of the six children that came from Virginia to Ohio in 1812, have passed away but Polly Campbell, who is now 88 years old, and for one of that age, still possesses remarkable strength of both mind and body. The writer received much of what is here written from her. She speaks thus of her father's last sickness: "When I left him to go home to my children for a short time, he told me he might not be here when I returned, and said, 'Polly, I feel that I can say with Paul I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith.' Then

quoted the 8th of Timothy and other passages. Just before his death he called his children around him and told them he had tried to be a good father to them in providing for their temporal wants, and had tried to teach them the way to heaven. He died at his home November 24, 1848."

Polly Campbell was still living and in good health in the winter of 1897, being 94 years old, the greatest age attained by any of our relatives.

## Grimes Biographic Notes.

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This paper is devoted to the memory of two persons whose numerous descendants have formed an influential element of our citizenship for the past seventy-five years.

Felix Grimes, the pioneer, and his wife, Catharine, were natives of Ireland. The ship on which they sailed came near being lost in mid-ocean. At one time the masts were touching the waves and the water pouring in over the ship's side. The passengers and some of the sailors were in frantic terror,—some were praying, some cursing and swearing, and some wildly screaming with fright. The captain and some of the crew were self-possessed enough to urge the passengers to the opposite side of the vessel, and it righted at once, and the voyage was made in safety thereafter. It took about three months to make the crossing. The landing was at New Castle, most probably, and some time was spent in Pennsylvania. Following the tide of emigration, these persons finally located a home on the uplands overlooking the valley of Knapp's Creek from the west, nine or ten miles from Huntersville. It is believed they settled here about 1770. The original name was

Graham, but it came to be abbreviated to Grimes, and has been so written and pronounced all along.

Felix Grimes settled in the unbroken forest on lands now occupied by Morgan Grimes, the heirs of the late Davis Grimes, and others in their vicinity. The original site is now (1897) in the possession of Margaret Grimes, near Mt. Zion church. Traces of the pioneer home are yet discernable near her residence. It is probable the Grimes relationship will have a reunion before long at the place, and will mark the spot with a memorial stone. It was here these worthy persons reared their family consisting of five sons and four daughters: Margaret, Mary, Sally, and Nancy; Arthur, John, Charles, Henry and James.

Margaret Grimes married William Montgomery, and settled in Licking County, Ohio.

Nancy Grimes was married to Rev. Samuel C. Montgomery, a Methodist minister in the same county.

Mary Grimes was married to Henry Montgomery, of Ohio, and Sally married a son of Alexander Waddell, the Marvin pioneer, and moved to Gallipolis, Ohio.

ARTHUR GRIMES, eldest son of Felix, married Miss Mary Sharp, a sister of the late William Sharp, near Verdant Valley. Their children were *Rachel*, who married Solomon Buzzard; *Henry*, who married

Hester Buzzard, daughter of Reuben Buzzard, of Pendleton County. Henry's sons were Peter and Franklin, now in Iowa; Zane and Hugh, near Frost; David, in Harrison County. Hugh and David were Union soldiers, and Zane also.

*Jane* married Leonidas Bowyers. She died in Highland County. Her sons, Cicero and James Leonard Bowyers, went to Parkersburg, West Virginia.

*John* died in Buckhannon during the late war between the States.

*David* married Mary Grimes, daughter of James Grimes, son of Felix, the pioneer. Their children: Hanson married Mary Nottingham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Nottingham, near Glade Hill. Hanson's only child, Minnie Grimes, is now Mrs. Earl Arbogast, of Green Bank. Margaret first married W. H. Sims. After his decease she married Erasmus Williams, now living near the Hot Springs, Virginia, and is the mother of fourteen children. Amanda married Charles O. W. Sharp, near Frost. She is the mother of eight children. Her son Hanson is in Central America, and Frank is in Louisiana. Leah married Rev. George P. Hannah, now in Upshur County. She is the mother of seven children—four living and three dead. Mr. Hannah is an esteemed and useful minister of the M. E. church.

*Rebecca* married Thomas Drinnan, settled in Buckhannon, thence to Parkersburg, thence to Chillicothe,

Ohio. She was the mother of four children. One son, Franklin, and three daughters, names not remembered.

*Arthur Grimes, Jr.*, married Rebecca Cumpston, and lived awhile on the old homestead, then moved to Upshur County. His son, Newton, died young. Lavinia married Silas Helmick. Rebecca Jane is married and lives in Upshur. Angeline is the youngest.

HON. JOHN GRIMES, son of Felix, the pioneer, married Elizabeth Burner, of Travelers Repose, and lived near Hillsboro on the farm now owned by Pocahontas County for an infirmary. There were six children: *Henry* died in youth. *Abraham* married Miss Callison, and finally moved to Gallia County, Ohio, so did *Wesley* and *Fletcher*. *Nancy* married a Mr. Morrison and settled in Upshur County, West Virginia. *Elizabeth* married William McCoy and went to Ohio. Late in life Mr. Grimes went to Ohio to be with his sons.

Hon. John Grimes was a person of fine appearance, and possessed natural endowments of a high order, and made the most of his limited opportunities for mental improvement. He represented Pocahontas as a Democrat in the House of Delegates in 1841-42. Upon his motion charters were granted for three academies—Hillsboro, Huntersville, and

Green Bank. He was also a very prominent member of his church—the Methodist Episcopal.

CHARLES GRIMES, son of Felix, the emigrant, married Martha Buzzard, daughter of Reuben Buzzard, Sr., of Glade Hill. His family consisted of ten children. *John Wesley* died young. *Morgan* married Jane, daughter of Major Daniel McLaughlin, near Green Bank. Morgan's children are: John Wesley, at home; Cora is the wife of the Rev. Jasper N. Sharp, a member of the West Virginia M. E. Conference, and is now in Preston County; Mantie is Mrs. George Bambrick, near Dilley's Mill, and Onie Jane is at home with her parents. Morgan Grimes, Esq., was a Union soldier during the late war between the States, and so was his relative, W. C. Grimes.

*William Davis E. F.* married Margaret Paugh, and settled on a section of the old homestead. He recently died, and is survived by his widow and two children—Ida Missouri, who married Clay Drepperd, and Elmer E. Grimes, for two years past a student at the Hillsboro high school.

*Susan L.* married Samuel Auldrige. She was the mother of five children: Tillotson Morgan lives at Buckeye, Charles died in Greenbrier, Luther lives near Mill Point, Kenney near Hillsboro, Elizabeth married William Clendennin and resides near Hillsboro.



*Margaret Montgomery* married Hugh Mc. Carpenter and settled near Dunmore, on Thomas Creek. She was the mother of five children: Charles went to Texas, Hanson and Fletcher live near Dunmore, Rachel married Craighin Grimes, a prominent teacher of public schools, who lives near Mill Point.

*Elizabeth Catherine* died during the war,—a young woman of much amiability of character.

*Mary Cullum*, was married to Rev. George Poage Wanless, a widely known and much esteemed minister of the M. E. church. Towards the close of his long and useful ministerial service he was presiding elder of the Roanoke district. At his death he was a citizen of Montgomery County, Virginia. Her children were Josie Loretta, wife of Bently Olinger, of Price's Fork, Virginia, who was killed while at work on New River Bridge. Della Wanless married William Snedegar on Droop Mountain, who is now a merchant at Lafayette, Montgomery County, Virginia. Samuel Wanless is a young Methodist minister recently licensed. Virgie Wanless is the wife of U. S. A. Hevener, a Methodist minister now in Tennessee. Fannie Wanless died young.

*Loretta Jane* is the wife of William Jefferson Moore, who lives on a part of the John Moore homestead. She is the mother of nine children: George E. Moore, a well known teacher of public schools and instructor in vocal music; Charles K. Moore and

Ira Hays Moore, Martha E., Carrie F., Fannie M., who is the wife of Christopher McLaughlin, near Dunmore; Myrtle, and Hattie M.

\* *Rachel A.* was married to A. Jackson Moore, Esq., on Back Alleghany. She has seven children: Forest, Thomas, Virgie, now Mrs. John Silva, near Mill Point; Samuel, Elmer, Lillie and, Lanty.

*Martha S.* became the wife of Peter H. Grimes, and settled at Ola, in Iowa. The names of her six children are Thelia, Seba, Mary, Ezra, Brumbery and Henry.

HENRY GRIMES, son of Felix, died in youth.

JAMES GRIMES, the last of the sons of Felix, the pioneer, married Mary Burner, of the Upper Tract, a sister of the late George Burner, Esq. James settled on that section of the Felix Grimes lands now held by Mrs. Mary Fertig. There were nine children, viz:

*Abraham*, who married Margaret Brady, daughter of Samuel Brady, and settled in Webster County, West Virginia, and reared a large family. Rev. Addison Grimes, book agent, is one of Abraham's sons. Abraham died a year or so since, aged seventy years.

*Allen* married Frances Weiford, and after her death married Fannie Silva and lived on Stamping Creek. His children are Craigin B. Grimes, Elizabeth, who is the wife of Thomas Rigsby, in Webster County; Georgiana, the wife of Harry Boblitt, on

Stamping Creek; J. Barnett Grimes, of Hill's Creek, a prominent teacher; James Grimes, on Stamping Creek; Mary, the wife of Willard Overholt, and Lucy, the wife of Emmet Nottingham, on Stamping Creek.

*George* married Nancy Friel, daughter of the late Josiah Friel, and settled above Mill Point.

*George C.* married Eleanor Weiford, and moved to Iowa, and reared seven children: Rettie, Scott, Granville, William, Esta, and Ziona are the names now remembered by their friends.

*Harvey* married Henrietta Thurman, in Upshur County, where he lived and died.

*Bryson* died in youth, just before the war.

*Catherine* married Leonard Bowyer as his second wife.

*Mary* married David Grimes.

*Elizabeth* married James Weiford, of Hillsboro. These two, Brown and Nixon Weiford, are her sons; also the Rev. Grattan S. Weiford, of Dilly's Mill.

This brings the chronicles of the Grimes relationship within the memory and observation of their living friends, and a basis is furnished for the use of some future compiler. The writer gratefully appreciates the patient and efficient assistance rendered him by Morgan Grimes and Mrs. Mantie Bambrick.

Arthur Grimes and Levi Moore, son of Levi, the pioneer, and afterwards a member of the Legislature, went on a scout to Clover Lick to see if Indians were

around. Seeing no sign, they went to the house, placed their guns just outside the door, and finding a bed within laid down and fell asleep. Arthur dreamed of being bitten by a rattlesnake, sprang out of bed and awakened Moore. The dog was growling at Indians stealing towards the house. The men seized their guns and escaped, leaving the dog shut up in the house. The dog soon came to them, however. The Indians fired the building, cut a pair of moccasins from a dressed deer skin belonging to old "Ben," amused themselves by stripping the feathers from two live roosters to see their antics.

When they reported to Jacob Warwick about the affair, he told them that whenever he dreamed of wild turkeys he was sure of having trouble with the Indians very soon.—W. T. P. in *Pocahontas Times* of April 9, 1897.

## History of the Children of Henry and Mary Montgomery and Their Families.

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Henry Montgomery was born January 8, 1790,  
died in 1870.

Mary Grimes Montgomery was born in 1784,  
died October 14, 1865.

Margaret Montgomery Evans was born September 17, 1811.

Wesley G. Montgomery was born June 2, 1813.

James S. Montgomery was born April 27, 1815.

Catharine Montgomery Conard was born March 28, 1817.

Nancy Montgomery Martin was born November 7, 1818.

William W. Montgomery was born December 5, 1820.

Sarah Ann Montgomery was born December 4, 1822.

John H. Montgomery was born September 17, 1825.

Milton L. Montgomery was born March 31, 1828.

Samuel Hamaline Montgomery was born June 15, 1830.

MARGARET, the oldest child was born in 1811,  
south of Licking river, and died May 4, 1871. She

lived with her parents till November 6, 1828, when she was married to John L. Evans. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1801, and came with his parents to Licking County, Ohio, in 1803, where he lived till his death, January 30, 1883.

In early life he followed the trade of masonry, and to him belongs the honor of building the first brick building and chimney in Newark. Before he



John L. Evans.



Mrs. John L. Evans

was twenty he built the stone abutments to the Lancaster bridge just south of Granville, and they are still good. He took up land and cleared and built a cabin in St. Albans township before he married. But before beginning he asked God's blessing on the future home. He contributed largely to the church, and his home was always a resting place for the

pioneer preacher. They followed farming till her death. He afterward moved to Granville with his daughter, Caroline, and lived there till his death. They had nine children:

Mary Ann, born September 3, 1829, died September 9, 1887.

Henry C., born September 24, 1831, died in infancy.

Lucius, born June 22, 1833, died in infancy.

Elizabeth Caroline, born November 1, 1835, died in infancy.

David Wesley, born October 2, 1837.

Matilda Catherine, born September 24, 1839.

Lucinda Caroline, born March 17, 1842, died January 16, 1884, in Granville, Ohio. Her noble Christian character and useful life made her death a great loss to a wide circle of friends.

Harriet Josephine, born March 5, 1844.

Wellington Montgomery, born April 20, 1848.

#### THE MARRIED CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

*Mary Ann* was born in St. Albans township, September 3, 1829. She attended the Granville Female Seminary, and was married to James Nelson September 27, 1853. They lived in Etta, Ohio, some time and then moved to Columbus, where the family still live. She was converted in early life and was an earnest Christian till her death, which occurred Sep-

tember 9, 1887. They had four children—Ella Alpharetta, born September 16, 1854, died October 10, 1874; Charles Lewis, born October 30, 1856; Carrie Dell, born July 21, 1859, was married to Samuel L. Black February 15, 1889. They have two children, Helen Margaret, born November 27, 1890, and James Nelson, born April 7, 1893. Mr. Black was elected Mayor of Columbus in 1897.

Stella Margaret, born May 15, 1861. She was married to Marcus G. Evans, October 23, 1893. They have one child, James Baxter, born February 27, 1896. Mr. Evans is a lawyer.

*David Wesley* was born October 2, 1837. He married Helen C. Avery September 10, 1867. They started on a farm near his father and have lived there ever since. They had three children—Josephine A., John Howard, who died in infancy, and Ella Margaret. The daughters still live with their parents.

*Matilda C.* was born September 24, 1839. She attended school in Delaware and taught at Etna. In September, 1865, she was married to Dr. N. B. Cole, who had served as surgeon in the army. They moved to Bloomington, Illinois, where he practiced till 1895, when they moved to Phoenix, Arizona, where they now live. They have had five children—Carrie L., born in 1869. She graduated from the Illinois Wesleyan University in 1890, and teaches. Jessie M., died in infancy. Evans N., born in 1876,



is with his parents. Arnott Montgomery, died when four years old. Leah Margaret was born in 1884.

*Harriet Josephine* was born March 5, 1844. She joined the M. E. church when twelve years old. She attended the Ohio Wesleyan University, and married David Milton Moore January 19, 1869. They lived in Kansas three years, then returned to Newark, Ohio, where they lived till 1886, when they removed to Columbus, where they now live. Mr. Moore is a merchant tailor. They have three children—Redempa Marie, born March 30, 1870, married Mr. Sylvester E. Ranney in 1894, and lives in Columbus; Elta Caroline, born November 30, 1877; John Wylie, born August 25, 1879.

*Wellington M.*, was born April 20, 1848. He attended school at Delaware, Ohio, and February 15, 1876, married Miss Cora E., daughter of Hon. J. L. Tyler, and moved on a farm by his brother David. In 1882 they moved to Granville and cared for his aged father till he died. On April 1, 1884, they removed to Columbus and engaged in merchandise. They still reside in Columbus.

ABSTRACT FROM W. G. MONTGOMERY'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

Rev. Wesley Grimes Montgomery, A. M., oldest son of Henry and Mary Montgomery, was born June 2, 1813. There were no public schools in those days, so after going to a subscription school in the

country for a time, I attended two terms in Newark. At the age of seventeen I attended Denison University one term, and then taught near home four terms. After spending two years and six months at the Ohio University at Athens, I taught during the year 1834, in Columbus. In 1835 went to Augusta College, Kentucky, and graduated in the fall of 1837, and in a few weeks joined the Kentucky Conference. I was



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an itinerant minister twelve years, part of the time on circuits, part in stations and part as Presiding Elder. After traveling two years was married to Mrs. Nancy Pinkston Devenport, daughter of Elisha Green, of Madison County, Kentucky. She was a devoted Christian and was a great help to me in my work,

but the Lord called her from me in 1843. In 1845, I attended the conference of the southern churches at Louisville, Kentucky, where the M. E. Church South was organized. I was transferred to the Indian Mission Conference, and stationed at Ft. Coffee, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, where I had charge of a boys' school. There were forty boys in attendance. They were taught how to work on the farm and at trades, the common English branches, and one class in Latin and Greek. There was a similar girls' school six miles from there. These schools were entirely supported on one thousand dollars from the M. E. church South, and two thousand from the Government yearly. My health failed and the next year I was transferred back to the Kentucky Conference, with one year to regain my health.

In August, of 1849, I married Miss Julia Ann Plummer, daughter of Benjamin Plummer, Esq., of Fleming County, Kentucky. The same fall received a certificate of location at my own request, and moved back to Ohio. We had four children—Mary C., Martha A., Sarah E., and Henry B. B.

*Mary Catharine* was born at Brownsville, O., July 2, 1850. She was married to Julius Eggleston Newman, M. D., of Gilboa, Ohio, August 16, 1881. Their three childrens' names are Jessie Eugenie, Lawrence Montgomery, and Mary Cecilia, who died while a babe. Mary died January 21, 1892.

*Martha Amanda*, born in Etna, Ohio, April 20, 1852, and was married to Delmon Fulk, of Leipsic, Ohio, February 16, 1869. They had seven children: Etta, born November 24, 1869, died March 24, 1885; Charles Wesley, born February 17, 1872, and was married October 3, 1895, to Anna Mary Frantz. Their child, Dee Craig, was born September 10, 1896; Edwin Lorenzo, was born September 24, 1875; Clarence D. and Florence A. were born July 7, 1878, and died October 9 and 8, respectively, the same year; Bessie, born September 6, 1883; Chester, born September 12, 1885, and died September 19, 1885; Byron Wilbur, born April 8, 1890. The mother died April 12, 1890.

*Sarah Elizabeth*, born in Gilboa, Ohio, December 2, 1854, and died when three years old.

*Henry Bascom Biddleman*, born June 18, 1857, on our farm in Putnam County, Ohio. He studied medicine in Cincinnati. Was married to Mary E. Harmon, of Putnam County. They have two children, Plummer Harmon, born June 30, 1885, and Mary Leonora, born April 8, 1887. They now live in Winona, Kansas. [At present writing live in Los Angeles, California.]

I was married a third time to Miss Matilda Oliver, of Putnam County. When I went to Putnam County I only had four hundred dollars, which I invested in land, and my property has grown to many times this

value. During all my life I have tried to do what good I could in the various capacities in which I have served.

Wesley Grimes Montgomery died at Gilboa, Ohio, October 27, 1892, and was buried there in the Harman cemetery.

JAMES SOMERVILLE Montgomery, third child of Henry and Mary Montgomery was born in Licking



Jas. Montgomery.



Mrs. Jas. Montgomery.

County, Ohio, April 27, 1815, and died March 4, 1896. His boyhood days were spent at home, receiving the benefits of the subscription school in the neighborhood. He joined the M. E. church in youth and remained a member till death. He was married on the 9th of September, 1841, to Sarah E. Waddell, born November 16, 1816, the daughter of

James Waddell and his second wife, of Gallia County, Ohio. They have four children—L. Kate, born January 12, 1844; William H., born July 28, 1848; Mary, born August 30, 1856, and J. Eddie, born November 24, 1858. He settled on his farm in St. Albans township, Licking County, Ohio, in January 1842, it then being all woods. He lived here more than fifty-four years, clearing up the land and erecting large buildings, and by continued labor and strict economy was privileged to spend his latter days surrounded with all the comforts of a pleasant rural home. On the 9th of September, 1891, they celebrated their golden wedding, a large number of relatives and friends being present. Mary resides at the homestead with her mother.

*William* was married to Anna B., daughter of Timothy and Mary Cooley, of Pataskala, Ohio, and now lives one mile west of the homestead. They have two children, Orville C., born November 15, 1881, and Lela B., born July 3, 1886.

*Eddie* married Nellie K., youngest daughter of William and Welthon Campbell, of Gallipolis, Ohio, and lives on the farm with his sister, Mary, and mother.

*Kate* was married September 23, 1897, to Griff Rosebraugh, who carries on an extensive harness business in Newark, Ohio.

CATHARINE Montgomery was born March 28, 1817, lived with her parents, Henry and Mary Montgomery, till January 1840, when she married Nathan Conard, son of Nathan Conard, near Utica, Ohio. To them were born eleven children. They lived on their farm in Burlington township till about 1872, when they moved to Utica. The devoted wife and mother departed this life June 7, 1873, and was



Nathan Conard.



Mrs. Nathan Conard.

buried in the family cemetery near Utica. Soon afterward the father and younger children moved to Clinton, Henry Country, Missouri, where he purchased land and lived till his death, July 6, 1880, and was buried in the Clinton cemetery.

These are the children and their families: *Mary Jane*, born January 18, 1841, was married to N. W.

- Evans. They have three children, Adella C., Wilbur D., and Leona H. They live just out of Hartford, Licking County, Ohio; business, farming. Adella was married to James Pierson, of Condit, Ohio, in October, 1891. Their little boy, Leland, was born in 1893.

*Orlena Caroline*, born April 24, 1842, and died September 24, 1857.

*Elizabeth Romelia*, born August 22, 1843, was married to M. G. Condon, of Homer, Ohio. Their present home is near Clinton, Missouri; business, farming and fruit raising. They have three children, Minnie F., Dillworth and Josephine.

*Hannah Margaret*, born November 22, 1845, married D. E. Burner, of Homer, Ohio. They lived at Homer. then in Columbus and now at Homer. His occupation is manufacturing and building roller flour mills. They had three children, two living—Nathan Lewellyn, born November 2, 1870; Royle Everett, born July 26, 1873, died April 25, 1874; May E., born April 14, 1877. N. L. Burner, Ph. D., was married October 23, 1895, to Miss Alice Bell Siebert, of Columbus, Ohio. He is now State Chemist and Professor in the Ohio Medical University.

*William Henry*, born January 17, 1848, married Nancy Mills, of Missouri. They have five children. Their present home is Seattle, Washington; business, hotel keeping.



*Joseph Hamlin*, born March 14, 1850, married Eliza Parks, October 3, 1878. They live two miles southwest of Utica. Occupation, farming and stock raising. They have five children: Etta G., born May 20, 1880; John A., born September 13, 1881; Mary M., born July 4, 1884; Wesley Ray, born November 1, 1887, and George C., born July 4, 1890.

*Sarah Catharine*, born August 31, 1852, married Joseph Ozias, of Missouri; occupation, extensive farming. Home near Centre View, Missouri. They had four children. The two oldest died when nine months, and six years old. Harry and Marie still live.

*John Wesley*, born November 28, 1853, was never married, but lived at the home of his father in Missouri. He died March 6, 1883.

*Nathan Franklin*, born March 4, 1855, married Matilda Baughman. Their home is near Clinton, Missouri; business, farming. They had three children, Wesley, Katie, and Grace. The mother died February 24, 1890, aged 31 years.

*Josephine Adelle*, born January 8, 1859, married Mr. Hill, of Missouri. Their present home is near Bellwood, Nebraska; occupation, farming. They have four children, Mabel, Sadie, Charley and Harry.

*Dillon Montgomery* Conard, born January 6, 1861, married Annie M. Hale, of Nebraska; business, liveryman at Overton, Nebraska.

NANCY, fifth child of Henry and Mary Montgomery, was born November 7, 1818. She was married to James P. Martin, March 15, 1838, and located in St. Albans township, Licking County, Ohio. James P. Martin, the tenth child of Charles H. and Mary Martin, was born at Marietta, Ohio, January 16, 1812. He came to Licking County in 1815, and to St. Albans township in 1818. His last years were



James Martin.



Mrs. James Martin.

characterized by great suffering from chronic rheumatism, being helpless for thirty-two years. Yet he was a great reader, and was well informed on history and the Bible. He died May 10, 1876. Nancy Martin died March 27, 1894, and was buried beside her husband in Maple Grove cemetery, Granville,

Ohio. The period of helplessness of her husband devolved many cares upon her, yet she bore them cheerfully. She denied herself of many things that she might save a home for his children. Her heart ever went out for those around her that were suffering, and many an hour has she spent in comforting and caring for the sick and dying, having witnessed twenty-seven death-bed scenes.

THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

*Emeline Melissa*, was born August 8, 1839, in St. Albans township, where she lived till her marriage to William G. Fleming, of near Perryton, Ohio, October 27, 1863. They still live where they first settled. Their children are: Charles H., born October 6, 1864, died October 24, 1864; Frank S., born December 11, 1865, and still resides with his parents; Clara I., born September 16, 1868, married Wm. O. Shacklett, May 24, 1888, their one child, Helen E., was born April 21, 1894; Mabel N., born February 23, 1876, and married A. J. Anderson, August 5, 1897. The whole family are members of the M. E. church.

*Charles Wesley*, was born in St. Albans township, Licking County, Ohio, October 17, 1841, and was a resident of Licking County till 1878; when he went to Coffey County, Kansas. He married Miss Lida Tilton, of Shepherd\* Valley, Ohio, March 1, 1881; returned to Kansas and engaged in farming and stock

raising till 1885. They then moved back to Fallsburg township, Licking County, Ohio, where they now live on a good farm. They have five children—Lizzie Dell, born in Kansas, December 20, 1881; Mary Edna, born in Licking County, Ohio, November 26, 1885, Gold N., born in Licking County, Ohio, March 22, 1887; Clara Estell, born in Licking County, Ohio, January 17, 1891; Charles W., born in Licking County, Ohio, August 3, 1893.

*Sarah Ann*, born May 6, 1844, died April 30, 1845, and was buried in the Gaffield grave yard.

*Lucius Henry*, was born January 2, 1852. He taught school during the winters and tended his father's farm till of age, then made farming and stock raising his occupation. He married Miss Ella Forsyth, of Pataskala, Ohio, November 18, 1884, and now resides on his farm near Alexandria, Ohio.

WILLIAM W., sixth child of Henry and Mary Montgomery, was born December 5, 1820. He began reading medicine in 1842, and graduated at Cincinnati in 1846. He practiced in Perryton, Ohio, from 1847 till May 12, 1851, when he moved to Irville, Ohio, to practice. In 1865 he bought and moved to his present home, a mile east of Irville, where he practiced medicine till 1873. From that time till the present he has devoted himself to the cultivation of his farm and fruit raising. He married Catharen E., daughter of Gershom and Mary Van-

denbark, March 20, 1850. She departed this life April 17, 1863.

THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

*Mary V.* was born April 8, 1851. She married Samuel Frazier November 26, 1874. There are three children—Samuel Hamlin, born October 8, 1875; Kate May, born August 13, 1877; Ray Stockton,



Wm. W. Montgomery.



Mrs. Wm. W. Montgomery.

born April 16, 1880. Samuel Frazier died June 11, 1889, aged 46 years, 8 months and 27 days. The bereaved wife and children still live on their farm, between Nashport and Irville.

*Henry E.* was born March 27, 1853. He married Bessie C. Wilkin, October 5, 1880. They have five children—Grace, born October 17, 1881; Mittie, born

September 26, 1883; Hallie, born September 12, 1889; Reuben Wilkin, born April 14, 1892; William, born October 11, 1895. Henry and his family live on a farm half a mile north of his father's house.

*Lizzie B.* was born January 15, 1855, was married to Marcus E. Welsh, June 8, 1881; removed to Kansas in 1884; lived in or near Burlington until the fall of 1896, when they returned to Irville, Ohio, where they now live. Their only child, Edgar M., was born in Burlington, Kansas, March 2, 1894.

*Ida M.* was born February 17, 1857. She has always lived with her father.



John H. Montgomery.

JOHN HENRY, eighth child of Henry and Mary Montgomery, born September 17, 1825, received his education at the country school and at Denison University. At the age of nineteen he began teaching and taught six winters. He received Christ and joined the M. E. church at the age of fourteen. On November 8, 1848, he married Margaret, second daughter of Benjamin Lane, near Granville, and moved on his farm adjoining his brother James'. Eighteen years later, in order to be nearer church and schools,



First wife of John H. Montgomery.

he bought and moved to his present home, one and a half miles west of Granville. He was one of the first shorthorn breeders in this part of Ohio. He secured the very best stock with which to start his herd, giving as high as \$1,500 for females and even \$5,000 for one male, whose mother, a Duchess, sold for \$35,000.

There were six children born to John and Margaret: Benjamin, Henry H., Emma, John Wesley, Charlie, and Frank. The mother died February 16, 1870. On December 25, 1872, he married Miss Sally, daughter of John and Syrena Phifer, near London, Ohio. They have three children: Howard P., Chester Q., and Syrena E.

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*Benjamin L.*, born October 22, 1849, died when eleven months old.



Second wife of John H. Montgomery

*Henry H.*, born October 27, 1851, married Lucinda Stoner in 1872, and lives at his father's first home, in Harrison township. They have three children: John Wesley, born September 10, 1873; Dillon, born June 11, 1876; Thomas Hayes, born March 2, 1883. John married Carrie, daughter of Corwin Butler, March 28, 1895, and now lives in Columbus, Ohio. Dillon married Elba, daughter of John Pendleton, January 31, 1893, and lives next neighbor to his father. Children, Ella, born June 13, 1894, and Lucinda L., born April 3, 1896.

*Emma*, born October 28, 1853, married Thomas E. Hayes, September 25, 1877, an ex-soldier and prisoner of war at Andersonville, Georgia. They live on the Hayes homestead, three miles southwest of Granville. Their children are: Mabel M., born July 4, 1878; Delia C., born June 26, 1880; Elihu, born September 24, 1883.

*John Wesley*, born November 7, 1858, was married to Alice, daughter of Richard Reese, of Granville, Ohio, December 24, 1879. They lived next neighbor to his father and raised fine cattle till 1896, when he moved to Newark, where he has planing mill interests. Their children are Charles W., born September 18, 1880; Benjamin L., born July 4, 1882; Merrill R., born November 28, 1884; Grove, born April 4, 1887; Florence F., born June 19, 1889.



*Charlie*, born January 18, 1863, died April 16, 1868.

*Frank*, born October 16, 1869, graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1896. Married Alice, daughter of J. J. Edwards, of Eden township, Licking County, Ohio, August 24, 1896. He is Principal in the Ohio School for the Blind.

*Howard P.*, born October 16, 1873.

*Chester Q.*, born June 15, 1875.

*Syrena E.*, born November 21, 1876.

The last three children live at home with their parents.



Milton Montgomery.



Mrs. Milton Montgomery.

MILTON LAFAYETTE, ninth child of Henry and Mary Montgomery, was born March 30, 1828. He

lived with his parents till January 1, 1852, when he married Matilda Jane, daughter of T. D. and Rebecca Fleming, of Perry township, Licking County, Ohio. He purchased a fine farm of 300 acres two miles south of Perryton, Ohio, and in 1872 built a \$4,000 brick residence. By economy and industry, which are some of the family traits, he has provided ample means and in his latter days is enjoying the reward of his labors.

#### THE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

*Emma Irilla*, born August 31, 1853, married J. A. Wintermute. October 22, 1872, and lived two miles northwest of her parents till her death, which occurred October 1, 1883. Their children are Nellie I., born September 24, 1874, who lives with her mother's parents, and Ira E., born January 17, 1877, who lives with his father and teaches.

*Quin F.*, born September 25, 1855, married Eva, daughter of Albert and Mary Fleming, of Muskingum County, November 28, 1878, and lives on his farm, a half mile north of his father. They have four children: Park F., born December 15, 1879; Clinnie D., born October 3, 1881; John Earl, born September 13, 1886; Mary J., born April 6, 1889.

*Anna R.*, born December 16, 1857, and died October 12, 1859.

SAMUEL HAMLIN, youngest child of Henry and Mary Montgomery, was born June 15, 1830. He lived at home with his parents till after their death, and still lives with his family at the old homestead, to which he has added considerable land. On June 5, 1879, he married Leanna, daughter of Steward and Levina Wilson.

Their two children are *Stanley W.*, born Septem-



Hamlin Montgomery.



Mrs. Hamlin Montgomery.

ber 29, 1880, and *Edwin Willes*, born April 22, 1884. On account of poor health the father spent the summer of 1896 at Ashville, North Carolina, taking his wife and son, Stanley, with him, and the following winter at Phoenix, Arizona, his wife and Edwin going with him.

## **History of the Children of William and Margaret Montgomery and Their Families.**

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William Montgomery was born January 4, 1793, died October 4, 1849.

Margaret Grimes Montgomery was born January 12, 1789, died March 21, 1865.

Samuel Montgomery was born April 22, 1815.

Nancy Montgomery Wilson was born January 19, 1817.

Charles W. Montgomery was born December 5, 1818.

Margaret Ann Montgomery Taylor was born June 25, 1821.

William Clark Montgomery was born June 25, 1821.

Henry A. Montgomery was born April 24, 1824.

Mary Catharine Montgomery was born March 27, 1826, and died July 21, 1827.

John F. Montgomery was born December 12, 1827.

Emily C. Montgomery Wickham was born March 20, 1831.

Lucinda Jane Montgomery was born June 16, 1833, died April 27, 1834.

Amanda Montgomery Evans was born March 14, 1835.

SAMUEL, the first child of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio, April 22, 1815, and cradled in a Methodist sugar trough. The country being new and schools far apart, his schooling was limited, but he received a religious training at home that led to his conversion in early life. He married Mary,



Samuel Montgomery.



Mrs. Samuel Montgomery.

daughter of Adam Seymour, of pioneer fame, March 22, 1838. They moved to a farm of 160 acres in Liberty township, and have lived there ever since. After a happy companionship of over fifty-six years she died August 27, 1894, being 80 years, 3 months and 1 day old. She was an earnest supporter of Christianity from early life and died in the faith of

the Gospel. He has made agriculture a study in order to make his farm as productive as possible. He bought and sold cattle for a great many years and before the railroads were built, drove them to Pittsburg market. He has plowed with all kinds of plows from the wooden mould board to the latest steel plows. He has harvested with all harvesters, from the sickle to the self-binder. He has thrashed with all thrashers, from the flail to the latest improved steam thrasher. He was stricken with blindness when about thirty, and after ten years partially regained his sight. But since 1881 he has been unable to read. He has traveled to all the principal places in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and is now on his way to his eighty-third milestone, walking with his cane, and it is a great comfort to him to look back over his life and know that he has given his influence in favor of the Christian religion.

The history of the family of Samuel and Mary Montgomery, consisting of ten children, is as follows:

*Mary Jane*, born January 17, 1839. She was educated at Delaware, Ohio, and taught in the common schools for five years. She was married to Thomas Kislingberry, of Newark, Ohio, April 10, 1862, died February 29, 1864, and was buried in Cedar Hill cemetery. She left a child, Adam Clark,

only two weeks old, who was married December 25, 1890, to Cora Channel.

*William Clark*, was born March 23, 1840. He lived with his parents till November, 1861, when he joined the 76th O. V. I., and served as color bearer. He was in the battles of Fort Donelson, Shilo, Corinth, and Arkansas Post.



W. C. Montgomery.

Was on the first boats that went in sight of Vicksburg under General Wood. Was one of the 150 volunteers to go to Yazoo City with orders to burn the place, but failed on account of low water in the Yazoo river. Went to Jackson with General Grant when he cut off from all communication. Was at the great siege of Vicksburg forty-one days, and the day of the great charge was placed on a high point with the colors to signal our General provided the rebels tried to mass their forces in front of us during the charge. At this siege he drank from a pool with three dead horses in it and was only half a mile from the Pearl river at the time. After the siege they went up the Mississippi to Memphis and across

to Lookout mountain. Was in the fight above the clouds and saw the firing after night, which was a grand spectacle. Was in the charge at Missionary Ridge, where his regiment captured about four hundred prisoners. Two days later they went to Ringold, Georgia, where he lost his right arm four inches below the shoulder, and received two wounds in the body while leading in a desperate charge. This was November 27 1863. When discharged he received a gold medal from his regiment bearing the inscription: "For gallantry on the field of battle November 27, 1863."

He was married November 29, 1864, the same month he was discharged from the army, to Hannah H. Rodebeck, of New Way, Ohio, who was born October 6, 1840. They live on their farm a mile south of Appleton, Ohio. They have three children: Orren Edwin, born November 14, 1865, married May Bennett, November 19, 1890. Their boy, Harry Forest, was born July 31, 1892. They live three and one-half miles north of Alexandria. Alberta, born March 21, 1873, married to John Crouse, of Appleton, January 1, 1895. They have a little girl, Ada Laura, born December 16, 1895. Lewis B., born January 5, 1879, and lives at home.

*Adam C.*, born October 13, 1842. He attended school at Delaware, but died April 25, 1862.



*James Oren*, born April 16, 1844. He attended school at Delaware, taught one year and then turned to farming. He married Miss Emily C. Vanfossen. They had three children—Bertha L., born November 17, 1870, married Edward Wright in 1893, and have a son, Forest, born in 1894; J. Clyde, born September 21, 1873; William Clay, born April 9, 1875, married Mary Canada, of Hartford, August 19, 1896. The mother died a happy Christian, August 13, 1880, after eight months' illness. In 1882 he married Mrs. Martha Smith-Coffman, and in 1885 moved to Appleton to keep store. His second wife died in 1893, after two years' illness. He married Mrs. Lucinda G. Gutridge (nee Burge) November 15, 1895, with whom he now lives in Appleton.

*Elizabeth Amanda*, was born February 25, 1846. She married Eli Stockberger, December 27, 1866, and died April 9, 1872. They had four children—Jennie, born in 1867, married Howard Collins in 1889; Cora married Frank Holler, December 25, 1889, and has two children, Homer, born in 1890, and Grace, born in 1894; Leota, born April 9, 1872, married Wilson Nash in 1892, and died in March, 1896, leaving one son, Wilson Paul, born November 23, 1893; Loton, born April 7, 1872, and died in June, 1872. Loton and Leota were twins.

*Emily C.* was born October 14, 1848. She lived with her parents till November 24, 1892, when she

married Shouey M. Swickard, of New Albany, Ohio, with whom she now lives at the homestead with her aged father, two miles south of Appleton.

*Margaret A.* was born February 21, 1850. She attended school at Delaware two years and graduated in music at the Granville Female College. She taught music and graded schools for two and a half years in Wyandotte County, Ohio, when she died suddenly from inflammatory rheumatism, March 4, 1881. She was brought home for burial.

*Louisa*, born July 5, 1852, died June 18, 1853.

*Bruce Edwin* was born December 28, 1856. He married Addie Saxton, September 23, 1880. They have one son, David Ralph, born August 28, 1885. They live near Johnstown.

*Henrietta*, born October 30, 1859, received her education at Granville Female College, and married Royal Bruce, April 6, 1882. They live near Highwater (Sylvania) with their six children—Thomas Samuel, born March 8, 1883; Robert Royal, born August 30, 1884; Nina Beatrice, born July 4, 1886; Lena Luella, born May 11, 1888; Mary, born December 7, 1890; and John, born November 2, 1892.

NANCY, the second child of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio, January 19, 1817. She lived with her parents and attended public school, till December 8, 1836, when she was married to James

H., son of Jacob and Nancy Wilson, who was born April 14, 1808. He lived in a farm house about a mile north on what is now Buena Vista street, Newark, Ohio, till his marriage, when they settled on a farm a mile west of the bride's father's farm. They lived there till his death, which occurred November 2, 1881. She continued to live on the farm till



Nancy and Jacob Wilson.

October of 1887, when she went to Newark to live with Mrs. Anna Stone, whom she took to raise when nine years old. Their home is No. 42 Grand avenue.

She had one son, Jacob Wesley, born September 25, 1837. He was captain of a part company that

was organized for the army but was united with another at Columbus, so he was relieved and returned home. When twenty-seven he married Margaret, daughter of James and Margaret Patterson, of Madison township. They had one daughter, Mary E., born February 9, 1869. The father died May 21, 1878, the mother November 2, 1887. Mary lived with her mother till she died, then made her home with her aunt, Mrs. Belford, in Granville, Ohio, where she died August 26, 1891.

CHARLES W., third child of William and Margaret



C. W. Montgomery.

Montgomery, was born December 5, 1818, in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio. His early recollections are that the country was new and mostly in timber; wild game, such as deer, turkey and many other birds and animals being plenty. He can remember when the first shovelfull of earth was taken out of the

Ohio canal by DeWitt Clinton, of New York, which occurred July 4, 1825. Boats were afloat in about the fall of 1829. Before the opening of this canal, what few of our goods that were not manufactured at home, were brought by six

horse teams from Baltimore. Opportunities for education were quite limited, there being only a few scattering country log school houses. He spent about three months of each winter at these schools, and finally one term at Granville College in the days of Professors Pratt, Carter and Stevens.

At about the age of twenty he was employed at Mary Ann Furnace. His work was diversified, working in the store, taking up cord wood, weighing ore, and selling castings for the company in all parts of the State. The company was composed of Moore & Brice. After being there nearly a year he was transferred to Gen. B. W. Brice's store in Newark, and was there nearly two years. On March 8, 1841, he formed a partnership with D. Moore, Jr., in mercantile business in Newark, in the room now occupied by McCune, Owens & Co., where they remained about five years. They had a milling business connected with the store. At the same time they had a branch store at Perryton. He sold his interest in Newark and went into partnership with his brother Henry, at Perryton. They closed up there April 1, 1848, and returned to Newark.

On August 15, 1848, he married Ellinda, daughter of Levi Claypool, of Muskingum County. He closed up business April 1, 1850, and went to a farm three miles east of Newark, known as the John Channell farm. On April 1, 1853, he bought the



First wife of C. W. Montgomery

farm where they now reside, known as the Bowling Green or Montour's Point farm, where it is said the first settlement in Licking County was made. His wife died April 15, 1861. They had seven children—*Thomas W.*, *Levi C.*, *Mary Margaret Cecilia*, *Charles A.*, *Emma E.*, *Anna L.* and *Felix S.*

On November 1, 1865, he married for his second wife Lucinda, daughter of James Stump, of Muskingum County. They have three children—*Minnie*, *James W.* and *Mabel Grace*.

All his children are are living except Mary Margaret Celia, who died in infancy, and Charles A. who died August 7, 1886, in Cherry Vale, Kansas. His remains were interred in Cedar Hill cemetery at Newark. He was an attorney at law, having graduated at Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H., also at Boston, Mass., law



Second wife of C. W. Montgomery.

school. His prospects for business were flattering, but was cut down in youth. He was never married. Thomas W. married Mary Knossman. Levi married Emily O'Bannon. Anna L. married Charles O'Bannon. Felix married Emily McVeigh. All the rest are single. Since coming to the farm Charles W. has been principally engaged in feeding and shipping live stock. He has also traveled considerable. He rode to New York City on horseback when a young man, also went by stage and the lakes, and later by rail. He saw and was aboard the first boat that ever crossed the Atlantic by steam in 1841 or 1842, while loading on coal in the East River. It had been thought impossible to carry enough coal for the journey. He has now about retired from active business but still feeds over a hundred cattle every winter on his own farm. He has some winters fed more than two thousand sheep.

MARGARET ANN, fourth child of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born June 25, 1821, being a twin sister to William Clark. She lived with her parents till Christmas time, 1841, when she was married to James A. Taylor, who lived just west of the Bowling Green church, where his family still lives. After a lingering illness of six months she passed on to her reward, July 7, 1846. Mr. Taylor married again in 1851, and raised a family. He died December 15, 1895.

WILLIAM CLARK, fifth child of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio, June 25, 1821. He received a common school education and engaged in farming with his father, also bought and sold cattle extensively, selling the first lot of cattle ever sold by weight in the county. This was a lot of seventy head sold at two cents per pound to a Mr. Hamilton,



Clark Montgomery.



Mrs. Clark Montgomery.

of Muskingum County. He joined the M. E. church at Bowling Green in the winter of 1848. He was united in marriage with Priscilla, daughter of Griffith and Eliza Jones of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, May 17, 1849. They have three children—Martha A., William G., and Harvey W.



*Martha* was born March 22, 1850. She married Cary W. Montgomery, December 31, 1890.

*William* was born October 4, 1851, and married Jessie L. Williams, daughter of John F. and Amelia Williams, of Hanover, Ohio, November 21, 1878, and moved to Emporia, Kansas, in 1884. They have two children—Anna Amelia, born September 21, 1879, and William Harvey, born in September, 1887. He is now an agent for the American Express Company at Emporia.

*Harvey* was born February 12, 1853, and married Lucy B., daughter of Edward T. and Virginia Crosse, of Alleghany, Pennsylvania, October 14, 1896. He lives with his parents on the farm just east of the Bowling Green church. They have one child, Lucilla Crosse, born August 12, 1897.

HENRY A., the sixth child of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born April 24, 1824, in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio. His early life was spent on the farm and attending a three months' school in winter in the log cabin school house with greased paper windows and large fire place. On September 22, 1844, he left home to keep store in Elizabethtown (now Perryton), Licking County, where he continued till the autumn of 1848. In 1846 he made a trip to Baltimore to buy goods, going by stage to Cumberland, Maryland, thence by train, the B. & O. road being finished to that point.

The goods came by rail to Cumberland, from there to Brownsville, Pennsylvania, by large road wagons, thence to Marietta and Zanesville by boat on the Monongahala, Ohio and Muskingum rivers. The cost would be about \$2.50 per hundred pounds.

January 12, 1847, he married Mary E., daughter of Beverly and Margaret Lemert. Mr. Lemert was born in Fagnar County, Virginia, and emigrated to



Henry A. Montgomery.



Mrs. Henry A. Montgomery.

Ohio in 1825. Mrs. Lemert was born near Irville, Ohio, being the daughter of Col. Nathan Fleming, who came to that place in 1808.

In 1849 he removed to Newark and engaged in the meat business. This not being congenial he purchased a farm near Elizabethtown and moved to it. After toiling there for seven years he lost one hun-

dred acres of it and half he was worth through a defective title. In 1858 he sold the rest and purchased the farm where he now lives.

During the war he spent three months and ten days as lieutenant of Company H, 159th O. V. I., a short time at Maryland Heights, Maryland, but most of the time in the forts around Baltimore.

To H. A. and Mary E. Montgomery ten children were born, seven of whom are living. Those dead are: *Beverly Lemert*, born November 13, 1847, and died June 25, 1848; *Minerva Ellen*, born November 6, 1852, and died March 7, 1854; *Charles Locke*, born January 12, 1857, and died November 13, 1869.

The following are the living children and their families:

*Edward E.*, born at Newark, Ohio, May 15, 1849, received the degree of B. S. at Denison University, Granville, Ohio, in 1871. He read medicine one year in Newark, Ohio, under Dr. J. J. Hamill, a part of which time he taught a private school; entered Jefferson Medical College in the fall of 1872, graduated president of the class in March, 1874. He entered the Philadelphia Hospital as resident physician, where he served one year; began private practice in July, 1875. Married Helen Buckley, of Philadelphia, the latter part of 1876. During 1875-6 he had charge of the poor district under the Guardians of the Poor. He taught physiology and anatomy for

four years to private classes in Jefferson Medical College. During this time he also taught operative surgery to private classes in the Women's Medical College, lectured on skin diseases to the summer classes, and was visiting surgeon to the Women's Hospital. In 1878 he was elected visiting obstetrician to the Philadelphia Hospital, which position he occupied for fifteen years. In 1886 he was elected professor of gynecology, and in 1891 professor of obstetrics in the Medico-Chirurgical College, holding both these chairs in 1891-2. In 1892 he was elected professor of clinical gynecology in the Jefferson Medical College, which position he now holds. In addition to these, he is gynecologist to the Jefferson and St. Joseph's Hospitals, consulting gynecologist to the Lying-in Charity, and has a private hospital of his own. He is a member of the County Medical, State Medical and the Philadelphia Obstetrical Societies, and of the American Medical Association, the American Gynecological Society, and the College of Physicians. He is ex-president of the Northern Medical Association, the Philadelphia Clinical Society, the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and the Alumni Association of Jefferson Medical College; is at present president of the Philadelphia Obstetrical Society and the Pennsylvania State Medical Society. He has had two children, one of whom, a daughter, is still living.

*Alice E.* was born in Newark, Ohio, January 26, 1851. She attended school at Granville and Delaware, Ohio. She was married, November 9, 1876, to James E. Bradfield, of Licking County. They had five children, three of whom, James Harvey, Louis and Harriet, are living. They moved to Kansas in September, 1883, and now live in Emporia.

*Henry Clay* was born near Perryton, December 24, 1854. He attended school at Granville and Delaware. He married Miss Lillian Zollers, December 8, 1880, and moved to Illinois, where he engaged in farming. Was treasurer of Macon County four years, and now lives in Decatur. They have one son, Henry A.

*Ida Margaret* was born in Jackson township, Muskingum County, July 31, 1859. She attended school in Philadelphia. Was married to Dr. Albert F. Chase, of Philadelphia, October 29, 1890. They have one daughter, Helen Montgomery Chase.

*John A.* was born June 5, 1863, near Perryton. He graduated from the Bryant and Stratton Business College, of Philadelphia, then taught school a year near home in the Coshocton school house. In 1886, he went to Macon County, Illinois, and entered into partnership with his brother, Henry Clay. In 1888 he married Miss Addie Lewis, of Macon, Illinois. He then went into the grain business, in which he is

now engaged. They have three sons, Lewis Edward, John Paul, and Thaddeus Lemert:

*Thaddeus Lemert* was born July 3, 1868. He attended school and business college in Philadelphia, and engaged in business in the Franklin Bank in Newark, in October 1887. He married Miss Florence Franklin, October 17, 1894, who died October 7, 1895, leaving a son, Benjamin Franklin.

*Nellie Lemert* was born June 14, 1874. She attended school one year in Newark and three years in Philadelphia, part of the time studying art in the Pennsylvania Museum, where she graduated June 5, 1896. She is the only one left at home.

Henry A. Montgomery wishes to say in closing that he owes much of his success in life to his early religious training at home. He joined the M. E. church nearly sixty years ago. In looking back over seventy-three years of life he says he can see mistakes, yet in the providence of the Heavenly Father he has been blessed with good health and a fair amount of success in life.

JOHN FLETCHER, youngest son of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born December 12, 1827, in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio. He married Mary E. Wickham, April 20, 1854, and began married life on the home farm, where he lived till his death. In 1862, when the State of Ohio was threatened by "Morgan's Raid," he was one of the

band of "Squirrel Hunters" that responded to the call of Governor Todd for defense. In 1864 he served in Company E, 135th Regiment O. V. I., through the hundred day campaign.

In early life he united with the Bowling Green M. E. church, and was an active and faithful member all his life. In the summer of 1892 he was afflicted with some stomach trouble, from which he



John F. Montgomery.



Mrs. John F. Montgomery.

never recovered, and died November 12, 1892. The funeral services were conducted at the Bowling Green M. E. church and he was buried in the Montgomery lot in Cedar Hill cemetery, Newark, Ohio. There were four children—Cary Wickham, Willie D., Etta Margaret, and Bertha Sidle. Willie died in infancy.

*Cary W.* was born October 14, 1855. He attended school at Delaware and returned to his father's farm. December 31, 1890, he married Martha A. Montgomery and now lives on the old homestead. He has taken an active part in Granges and other farmers' societies, and was for some time captain of the State militia at Newark.

*Etta M.* was born March 6, 1860. She attended school at Delaware, and was married to John C. Kreig, of Newark, November 27, 1883. Their children are Lawrence Montgomery, born October 25, 1884; Mary Etta, born April 14, 1889, and Harold W., born September 3, 1891. Their home is in Newark.

*Bertha Sidle* was born March 25, 1868. She, too, attended school at Delaware. October 11, 1893, she married Ira Milton Phillips, and they now live in Newark. Her mother lives with them.

EMILY C., the ninth child of William and Margaret Montgomery, was born March 20, 1831. She lived at home till March 20, 1851, when she was married to Thomas B. Wickham. They went to Illinois to live and settled in Springfield. They lived in various places and at last in Chicago, where she died after a long sickness, December 7, 1864. She united with the church when young and died in the faith. Mr. Wickham died in Newark July 11, 1881.



The following was received from Amanda M. Evans, and published complete:

BURLINGTON, KANSAS, May 13, 1897.

The writer of this sketch, AMANDA M. EVANS, is the youngest child of William and Margaret Montgomery. She was born in Madison township, Licking County, Ohio, March 14, 1835. Lived under



Harvey Evans.



Mrs. Harvey Evans.

the parental roof till marriage. Received a common school education in the country school house, which was made of round logs with the crevices chinked with wooden strips and clay. The door consisted of a few boards fastened together with a wooden latch and tow string. There were four long benches to sit on, one on each side of the room. After leaving

this "academy," I spent a short time at the Granville Female Seminary, then under control of the Episcopal church. March 11, 1858, I was married to Harvey D. Evans, of Muskingum County, Ohio, by Rev. H. Lonnis, of the M. E. Church, of which we are members. The ceremony was performed at my mother's home in the presence of both families and a few invited friends.

The children of this union are as follows: *Emily Jane*, born December 24, 1858, and died March 22, 1864. *William L.* was born March 5, 1860. *John T.* was born April 27, 1863. *Margaret B.*, born October 28, 1865, and was married to B. F. Kinkead, October 25, 1884. They live in Emporia, Kansas. Their children are Mabel A. and Harvey W. *Mattie M.* was born September 30, 1867, and has been a successful teacher in the county schools of Kansas. *Frank W.* was born January 12, 1870, and married Miss Edith Hutchens, March 2, 1893. They have one child, Netta Ellen. *Fredie* was born January 5, 1871, and died in June, 1871. *Charles H.* was born March 23, 1873, died January 20, 1877. The youngest, but not the least, *Nellie E.*, was born March 27, 1877. She is a student in the K. S. N. School.

Our oldest son, William, came to Kansas in the spring of 1881, and by his encouraging letters, on January 4, 1882, my husband and I and four chil-

dren (John coming the next spring) left our native State to seek a home in the "wild and wooly West," in the "Sunflower State" of Kansas, "where 'lasses flowed in rivers and pancakes grew on trees." We failed to find "'lasses and pancakes," but by pluck and untiring perseverance, we found that they could be produced from the rich soil.

Our three sons are prosperous farmers and stock dealers of Coffee County, Kansas. Perhaps I have written all that future generations will care to read, so with this short history of myself and family I bid you adieu. Respectfully submitted,

AMANDA M. EVANS.

## **The Somerville Family.**

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As stated in the fore part of this history, James Somerville married Mary Ann Linn in Ireland. They moved to America about the year 1798, and lived in Pennsylvania and Loudon County, Virginia, till 1805, or 1806, when they came to Ohio and settled on the Somerville homestead, two miles north of Hanover. They were among the first settlers and were often visited by Indians, and molested by bears and other wild animals, but they toiled patiently on and made a comfortable home out of the wilderness for themselves and their children, and both lived to a ripe old age to enjoy the reward for their labor.

There were ten children—Samuel, born September 16, 1802; Mary Ann, born January 25, 1805; John, born about 1807; Margaret, born about 1809; Boyd, born about 1811; Nancy L., born October 10, 1814; Rebecca, born in July, 1817; Robert Linn, born September 18, 1818; Azor W., born October 20, 1820; William Clark, born August 28, 1822.

### **HISTORY OF THESE TEN AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

SAMUEL SOMERVILLE, the oldest, was born in Loudon County, Virginia, September 16, 1802. He married Elizabeth Crosier in June, 1829. They settled

on a farm joining his father's and lived there all their lives. He died November 19, 1868. They had ten children as follows:

*Mary A.*, born May 10, 1830. She was married to Robert Thomas in 1851, and died December 8, 1873, leaving five children—Alva S., Clark W., Ida, Florence, and Nellie M. Alva married Leora Howell,



Samuel Somerville.



Mrs. Samuel Somerville

and has one daughter, Maud. Clark married Lucy Gregg, and has two children, Russell and a little girl. He and Alva have a business in Frazeysburg and live there. Ida married George E. Howell and lives in Newark, Ohio. They have two children, Zebba and Fred T. Florence married John Evans and lives in Cooperdale, Ohio. They are the parents of one

daughter, Blanche. Nellie M. married Harry Butt, and lives near Johnstown, Ohio. They have a little son, Robert.

*George B.* was born about 1832, married Mary J. Tipton, December 10, 1861. They moved to Blue Hill, Nebraska, where she died May 22, 1884. After her death he went to Yuma, Colorado, where he still resides.

*Levi* was born about 1834. He died from pneumonia in an army hospital at Chattanooga, Tennessee, in 1862, and was buried there.

*Wesley* was born June 29, 1837, and died June 10, 1867. He, too, served in the army till discharged with broken health.

*Rebecca J.* was born December 18, 1839, married to Zenas McKnight in 1870, and died April 20, 1879, leaving three children, John, Mary Etta, and Clarence. John is married to Etta Baird. They have a little girl, Emily.

*Margaret* was born May 3, 1842, and died December 3, 1866.

*William W.*, born about 1845, married Kate Neighbarger and lives near Vanattaburgh.

*Rollin*, born June 1, 1848, died September 1, 1852.

*Harriet*, born May 3, 1851, died July 25, 1869.

MARY ANN SOMERVILLE was born January 25, 1805, in Loudon County, Virginia; died September

24, 1889, at St. Louisville, Ohio, and was buried at Wilson cemetery, near Vanatta, Ohio. On the 23d of April, 1829, she was married to Mahlon Conard, settled in Liberty township, Licking County, the same year, and resided here till 1868, then moved to Newton township of the same county, where they resided till her death. He lived with his daughter,



Mahlon Conard.



Mrs. Mahlon Conard.

Mrs. Cada, till his death, August 27, 1897. She was the mother of nine children, as follows:

*James W.*, born April 26, 1830, married Nancy C. Evans, October 28, 1852, and lives near Hartford, Licking County, Ohio. They have four children—Howard, who lives in Chicago, having married Miss Bricker, has two children; Mary E. married

Reason Pumphrey and now lives in Delaware, Ohio, with their family of seven children; Della married Lorenzo Condit, who with their three children live at Condit, Ohio; Lessie married Rev. Gill, of the North Indiana M. E. Conference. Their only child died.

*Nathan F.*, born May 12, 1832, died March 6, 1838.

*Margaret J.*, born May 11, 1834. She married Lewis Evans, Jr., April 12, 1855, and lived east of Hartford. She died March 5, 1896. They had four children—Emma E., married Levi Farnsworth in January, 1891, and lives four miles west of Newark with their two children, Ray E. and Margaret A. Clark married and lives near Appleton, Ohio. They have a daughter, Sylva. Henry married Miss Harris and they live near Appleton with their little boy, Homer; Alta died October 8, 1891, aged 19 years.

*Hannah E.*, born August 18, 1836, and was married to Robert Thomas, March 9, 1875, and live on the old Conard farm in Liberty township. They have no children.

*David N.*, born November 24, 1838, married Rhoda M. Wells, December 31, 1862, and lives north of Alexandria. Their seven children are—Caroline, Guy, Emma J., Lida, Newton, Mary, and Homer; all single.

*Mary A.*, born November 19, 1840, was married to A. J. Cada, September 25, 1860, and lives four



miles north of Granville. Their three children are—Joel, who married Miss Jennie Glynn, and lives in the Welsh Hills, northeast of Granville. They have two little girls. Edwin is single and lives at home. Charles married Miss Spellman, of Newark, and lives on his father's farm. They have one little boy.

*Hattie M.*, born December 15, 1843, married Charles B. Wilson, June 23 1870, and lives in Newark, Ohio. Her husband died March 1, 1876. They have three children—Alice M., born March 30, 1872, and teaches in Newark; Winifred H., born December 26, 1873, is an art student; Charles C., born December 7, 1874, is correspondent for Newark Tribune.

*John C.*, born August 24, 1848. He married Cynthia J. Belt, December 22, 1870, and lived near St. Louisville, Licking County, till his death, April 3, 1891. They had three children. Their names are, Ora, born in February, 1873; Herman, died October 26, 1892, and Edith.

*Alice*, born March 26, 1851, married Benjamin Lee, December 22, 1880. They live in Denver, Colorado, and have one daughter, Estella.

JOHN SOMERVILLE was born about 1807, and died about 1875. He married Elizabeth Miller and moved to Clay County, Indiana, where they lived till their death. They had ten children, five boys and five girls. Three of the sons served their country in the Civil War. *Henry* gave his life for the cause.

*Perry*, on being released from a rebel prison, was taken on board the ill-fated steamer *Sultana*, April 21, 1863, which was wrecked six days later by the explosion of one of her boilers, near Memphis, Tenn. Fifteen hundred of the twenty-two hundred on board perished. *Perry* was fortunate enough to secure a plank, on which he floated eleven hours before he was rescued. *Perry* married *Mary Shattuck*. They have three children, *Tony*, *Artie*, and *Clarence* (deceased).

*Mahlon* died unmarried.

*Caroline* married and had several children. She is now deceased.

*Amina* married and moved to Kansas.

*William Henry* married a Miss *Dumbauld* of Licking County. They have one son.

*Martha* married and moved to Kansas.

*James* is unmarried.

*John* married *Nancy James*. They had six children—*Ross*, *Mary*, *Myrtle*, *George*, *Joseph*, and another. *Mary* married *Charles Eppert*, October 14, 1894. They live at *Carbon*, Indiana. *Perry* and *John* and their families live at *Brazil*, Indiana.

*Mary E.*, youngest child, married but is now dead.

MARGARET SOMERVILLE was born about 1809. She was married to *Levi Jones*, in Licking County,

in 1828, and moved to Peru, Indiana, where they lived till her death, in 1839. They had no children.

BOYD was born about 1811, and died about 1868. He married Nancy Cooper, in Licking County, Ohio, and moved with her to Indiana, and afterward to Missouri. They had ten children, five sons and five daughters. Several of the sons served in the Union army, the second son being shot while bearing his country's flag.

NANCY L. SOMERVILLE, was born October 10,



John Miller.



Mrs. John Miller.

1814. She was married to John H. Miller, of Licking County, in 1835. They successfully cultivated a farm in Liberty township, Licking County, till 1865, when they, with their unmarried children, moved to

Newark, where they lived till her death in 1879. They were very industrious and enterprising, and instilled these characteristics into their children. Mrs. Miller was quite skilled in decorative art work. They had nine children: Jared C., Jarusha A., Mary M., Syntha A., Sarah A., James L., Alma R., Leah M., and Willoughby D. Four of these are dead, Jared, Jarusha, Syntha, and Alma.

#### HISTORY OF THESE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

*Jared C.*, at the age of 23, married Sarah D. Dum-bauld, April 7, 1859, and died April 18, 1859.

*Jarusha A.*, at the age of 21, married Jesse Laokin, April 7, 1859, died December 14, 1863, leaving her husband and two children, Georga Etta and Olive. Olive, the oldest, was born February 26, 1860, and taken by her grandmother Miller, with whom she lived till her grandmother died, when she went to her father at Terre Haute, Indiana, where she afterward married Dr. John Lowe, November 5, 1885, who is now a successful dentist in Newton, Kansas. They have two children, Imogen, born in 1889, and Willoughby M., born in 1891. Georga Etta was born February 16, 1863, and adopted by Mr. N. Harris, then of Chatham, Ohio, now of Fredonia, Kansas. She married Charles Isham, of Buffalo, Kansas, in 1882, died March 2, 1895. They had three children—

Roy, born June 11, 1883; Beryl, born October 2, 1885; Olive, born September 4, 1888.

*Mary M.*, born March 25, 1840, was married to Austin Ashbrook, of Johnstown, Ohio, October 30, 1860. They moved to Newark, Ohio, in 1864, and have been engaged in the wholesale and retail grocery business ever since. They have four children, Maud, Node, Tullie and Joyce. Maud married Frederick Ross and Node married Frank Smith, both of Newark, Ohio. Node died September 15, 1897. The other children are at home with their parents.

*Syntha A.*, born in November, 1842, and died in infancy.

*Sarah A.*, born January 22, 1845, married October 23, 1862, to David C. Brooks, of Liberty township, where they still live. They have six children—Oolooso A., born November 25, 1863, married Miss Mattie Beaver, October 22, 1886, and lives near Alexandria, Ohio; they have had four children, Roe J., born January 9, 1888, died April 22, 1893; Ila Vere, born September 6, 1889; George David, born September 5, 1892; Anna Eliza, born August 30, 1894. Nina M., born August 9, 1865, married William A. Rusler, November 25, 1884, of Liberty township; their child, Olive Marie, was born October 12, 1888. Jennie L. married Edward L. Bishop, of Liberty township, who is teaching in Alexandria. Their two children, Anna Lou, born September 13,

1888; J. Willoughby D., born October 7, 1890. J. Miller, married Miss Ella Boyd and lives in Liberty township. The other two, Willoughby D. and Leota E., are still at home.

*James L.* was born May 5, 1846. He married Miss Catherine Iliff, born May 16, 1845, of Van Lue, Ohio, October 1, 1865, and moved to Shelby, Mich., where he engaged in the lumber business. They have six children—Minnie B., born June 5, 1868, who married a Mr. Willie Crawford, July 17, 1885; Myrtle B., born January 18, 1870, who lived with her aunt, Mrs. Browning, from her eleventh year, till she married James Bonnett, March 6, 1890, with whom she now lives, east of Alexandria. They have four children, J. Miller, born January 15, 1891; Frank Louis, born March 28, 1892; Alma Lee, born November 24, 1894; Lucille, born January 19, 1896. Mata Blond, born March 14, 1873, who married Julius C. Blackmer, in 1889, of Blackmer Station, Michigan. Their son, Walter T., was born January 1, 1890. The husband died July 1, 1892. After three years she married F. D. Weldon. Their child, Louis G., was born October 15, 1896. John, born January 12, 1875; Katie, born January 12, 1878, and Cora, born April 4, 1880, who still live with their parents.

*Alma R.* was born August 13, 1849. When about 20, she married Jacob Zartman, of Newark,

Ohio, where they lived till his death in 1879. She then rented her property and lived with relatives till she died in September, 1891.

*Leah M.*, born August 26, 1851, was married to William L. Browning, of Newark, Ohio, June 10, 1869. She has lived nearly ever since in Alexandria, Ohio, where she manages quite a dress making establishment, built up entirely by her own industry and perseverance.

*Willoughby D. Miller*, A. B., P. H. D., M. D., D. D. S., was born August 31, 1853. He graduated from the Newark High School in 1871, and from there went to Ann Arbor, where he received his A. B. degree in 1875. From there he went to Edinburgh, Scotland, where he studied Chemistry, Physics and Applied Mathematics. He continued these studies in Berlin till 1877, when he came to Philadelphia to study dentistry. After completing his course he went to Berlin to practice and study. He studied Bacteriology under the renowned Koch, and it is along that line that he has become most renowned. In 1884, he was appointed "Royal Professor" in the University of Berlin, an honor never before conferred upon a foreigner. He was later made "Extraordinary Professor" in the medical faculty of the University. He is an indefatigable worker and is beyond a doubt the most noted of dentists. He married a daughter of Dr. Abbot, of

Berlin, and has a family of children. They are now in Berlin.

REBECCA SOMERVILLE was born in July, 1817. She married Joseph Loar and lived at Irville Ohio, till his death. She was afterward married to David Melton, and removed to Avilla, Missouri, where she died in August, 1883.



Rebecca Somerville Milton.

ROBERT LINN SOMERVILLE, born September 18, 1818, and married Jane Jones, December 12, 1845. They live in Indiana. They had ten children, as follows:

*James Clark*, married and lives in Blackford County, Indiana. They have four children, three sons and one daughter.



*William Riley*, lost his life in the service of his country.

*Mary E.* was married to Wm. Painter and they live in Linn County, Missouri. They have five children—Belle, Elzey, Perry (deceased), Retta, and one more.

*Cynthia E.* married Frank Sunday. They have five children—Bessie, Maud, Roy, May, and another. Bessie is married to Beccher French.

*Martha* married James Painter and has three children.

*Laura A.* married Preston Hamers and has three children—William, Mabel, and Orpha.

*Celestia A.* married Abel Gillaspie and removed to Missouri. They have one son, Earl.

*Robert L.*, deceased.

*Alvin B.* married Hattie Smith. They have two sons, Milo and Riley.

*Lafayette R.* resides at Albany, Ind.

AZOR WESLEY SOMERVILLE was born October 20, 1820. He married Catharine Green, June 6, 1852. Died June 20, 1896, on the old homestead where he was born and lived all his life. He was deprived of sight twelve years before his death, yet he endured it patiently, and died honored and respected by all who knew him. Catharine Green, his wife, was born of German-Irish parentage in Limerick, Ireland, May 25, 1829. In the latter part of the 17th century three

brothers of the Ruckel family came from Germany to England, and later to Ireland, in the reign of Queen Ann. The name of the oldest was Sebastian. Daniel Ruckel was his son, and Barbara Ruckel, who married Paul Heck, and is called the "Mother of American Methodism," was his daughter. It was at her earnest solicitation that her grand-nephew, Philip



A. W. Somerville and Wife.

Heck, preached the first Methodist sermon delivered in America. George Ruckel was a son of Daniel, and Elizabeth a daughter of George. She married George Green. Catharine was a daughter of George and Elizabeth Green, and a niece of Rev. Thomas Ruckel, who was a preacher in the M. E. Ohio Conference forty years. She is also, as above shown a

grand-grand-niece of Barbara Heck. Azor and Catharine Somerville had ten children, as follows:

*Clara A.*, born August 9, 1853; died September 4, 1865.

*Alma L.*, born March 30, 1855.

*Homer W.*, born March 4, 1857; died January 25, 1868.

*Della May*, born October 8, 1859.

*Charles Wesley*, born October 3, 1861.

*Alice Mary*, born January 30, 1864.

*Robert Linn*, born December 25, 1866. He married Eva A. Rector, December 21, 1892. They have two children—Lottie May, born December 16, 1893, and Baby, born August 17, 1896.

*John B.*, born December, 1868.

*Edward C.*, born November 9, 1870.

*Eva Mabel*, born February 7, 1873. She was married to W. Jay Crawford, April 9, 1896. They have a son, Ray Emerson, born March 30, 1897.

WILLIAM CLARK SOMERVILLE, was born August 29, 1822. He married Mary A. Evans in 1847. They moved to Randolph County, Indiana, in 1849, and from there to Miami County, Indiana, in 1851. They were members of the M. E. church and lived honorable Christian lives. They were both killed by a stroke of lightning in their own home July 20, 1860, leaving four little girls: Lucy E., Harriet R.,

Mary E., and Ida C., aged respectively twelve, ten, six and four years.

*Lucy E.* was born in Licking County, Ohio, January 6, 1848. On October 21, 1869, she married Wm. I. Leffel. They have eight children—Mary Elba, born September 1, 1870; Rachel E., born October 6, 1871; Fannie, born August 28, 1873; Ida L., born September 8, 1877; Charles Kingsley, born June 15, 1880, died September 15, 1881; Finley Vancleve, born June 5, 1883, died February 7, 1884; Irven S., born December 18, 1884; Phillip C., born May 14, 1887.

*Harriet R.*, born in Randolph County, Indiana, December 6, 1849. She and George D. Losher, of Miami County, Indiana, were married November 7, 1872. They have three children—William S., born September 30, 1873, married Emma Skinner, September 12, 1895. They have one child, born December 19, 1896; John Milton, born June 9, 1876, and Ida Leora, born May 14, 1880.

*Mary E.*, was born in Miami County, Indiana, January 24, 1854, and is now living in the far West.

*Ida C.*, born June 2, 1856. She married William Jones, at Rochester, Fulton County, Indiana, in 1882. Is now a resident of Miami, Lynn County, Kansas. They have one son, Lloyd Wellington.





























































































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